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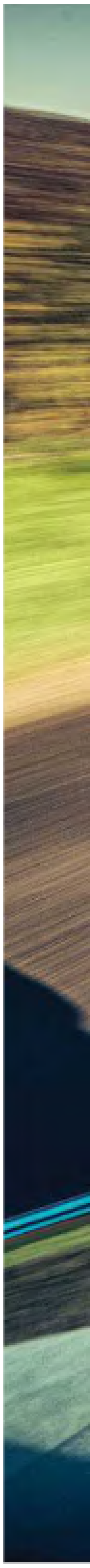

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THE BEST OF THE BEST?

Porsche's 911 GT3 takes on its spiritual rival: the new Lamborghini Huracán Tecnica

WELCOME

Beginning on a Buoyant Note

THE NEW YEAR WAS USHERED IN WITH a veritable flurry of activity in the automobile industry. Kick-starting it was the Auto Expo which should have been held last year but had to be postponed because of the pandemic. Then followed the Indian Car of the Year (ICOTY) Awards on the 12th of January.

Only seven major car manufacturers were present at the Expo this time: Maruti-Suzuki, Tata, Hyundai, KIA, Toyota, Morris Garages (MG), and BYD. The prominent manufacturers who opted out were Mahindra, Mercedes, BMW, Honda, Force Motors, Renault, Nissan, and the entire VW Group. Quite a few concept cars were showcased by Tata Motors, MG, Maruti-Suzuki, and KIA. While Maruti unveiled the Fronx and the Jimny, Hyundai launched the ionic5 at the Auto Expo.

The jury round for the ICOTY Award was held at the Buddh International Circuit (BIC) at Noida. There were strong contenders in all the three categories and the award ceremony was held at the Andaz Hotel in Delhi. It was a grand evening graced by the presence of the who's who of the automobile industry.

The award for the Luxury Car of the Year went to the Mercedes-Benz EQS, that for the Green Car of the Year to the Kia EV6, and that for the Indian Car of the Year to the KIA Carens. All the awards were presented by Dr Raghupati Singhania, CMD, JK Tyres, the ICOTY sponsors. JK Tyres put up a great show and it was appreciated by one and all.

Touching upon a disturbingly worrisome issue once again, the problem of road safety is getting worse by the day with more and more people flouting traffic rules, driving on the wrong side of the road, and becoming aggressive in spite of being the offenders. We would like to reiterate for the umpteenth time that traffic rules need to be implemented strictly and the offenders penalised with heavy fines. Indeed, habitual offenders should be put behind the bars.

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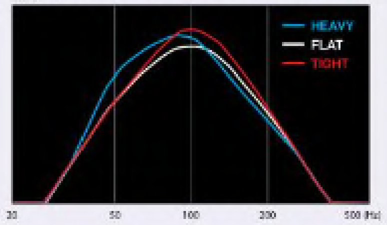

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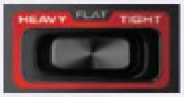
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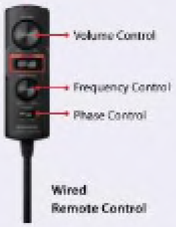
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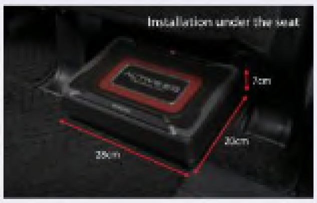
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Volvo Go RWD

The Volvo XC40 Recharge and C40 Recharge now get two new rear-wheel-drive versions as well as an updated all-wheel-drive version

THERE IS A MAJOR UPDATE incoming for Volvo's compact luxury electric car line-up. The XC40 Recharge and C40 Recharge have been introduced with rear-wheel drive, more power, and a longer range—thanks to a larger battery as well as faster charging.

The new list of product updates from Volvo Cars has seen improvements in both the range (WLTP) and charging for both "40 Recharge" models, compared to the outgoing ones with a range increase of as much as 60 kilometres for the top variants. Exterior updates also help improve efficiency where possible. For example, new 19-inch alloy wheels not only boost overall style but also help reduce drag due to the aerodynamic design.

There are three new powertrains offered in the C40 Recharge and XC40 Recharge. Two of these are rear-wheel-drive, marking it as the first time in 25 years that Volvo are offering a rear-wheel-drive model. Besides those, there is also a revised all-wheel-drive performance model. Another first is the use of the second-generation permanent magnet electric motor (e-motor) on the rear axle which has been developed in-house by Volvo.

Return to RWD

The two new rear-wheel-drive powertrain options are, firstly, the single motor model with standard range. This packs a 175-kW (238-hp) e-motor, five more than the outgoing 170-kW (231-hp) single-motor front-wheel-drive variant. This new XC40 Recharge carries forward the 69-kWh battery pack but brings enhancements in cooling efficiency which translates into an increased range of up to 460 kilometres (WLTP). The range of the C40 Recharge single improves to up to 476 km (WLTP). A charge from 10 to 80 per cent takes just about 34 minutes using a 130-kW DC public charger.

The second model addresses the need for more power and range with a slightly more powerful motor and larger battery pack. It brings a 185-kW (252-hp) permanent magnet e-motor on the rear axle. The larger 82-kWh battery pack boosts range to as much as 515 km for the XC40 Recharge single motor extended range and up to 533 km (WLTP) for its C40 Recharge counterpart. Charging power has been improved here, too, as the larger battery pack allows for charging at up to 200 kW DC and a 10-80 per cent charge takes about 28 minutes.

New AWD

The new all-wheel-drive variants also benefit from the updates mentioned here and bring even more impressive range improvements. The previous set-up of two 150-kW e-motors on the front and rear axles has been replaced with a 117-kW (159-hp) asynchronous electric motor on the front axle and a 183-kW (249-hp) permanent magnet e-motor on the rear axle.

This new configuration, paired with the 82-kWh battery pack with more efficient battery cooling, allows the XC40 Recharge Twin AWD to do up to 500 km on a single charge. The range of the C40 Recharge Twin AWD has improved to up to 507 km (WLTP).

We Hear

BIOFUEL EXPRESS

Biofuel Express HVO and B100

Biofuel Express, a Swedish energy company, has created a set of solutions to address the need for eco-friendly fuel. The two that attracted our attention were "HVO100" renewable diesel and "B100 BioDiesel RME Premium".

HVO (Hydro-treated Vegetable Oil) is fully renewable fossil-free diesel that results in a reduction of carbon dioxide emission by up to 90 per cent and which does not release any new CO2 into the atmosphere.

B100 is also fully sustainable and fossil-free, offering up to a 70 per cent reduction in CO2. It is the fuel for those who want a smooth transition to sustainable transport while saving on cost.

The company also has AdBlue, a diesel exhaust fluid which converts harmful oxides of nitrogen (NOx) from the engines to harmless nitrogen and reduces the emission of nitrogen oxides for better air quality.

PCCM Plus for Older Porsches

Porsche Classic have offered infotainment systems for many of their vintage and modern classic cars. Now the Porsche Classic Communication Management (PCCM) and Porsche Classic Communication Management Plus (PCCM Plus) are available for retrofit—to enable the use of Apple CarPlay (from iPhone 5 onwards) and Android Auto for media playback, navigation, and for making phone calls—are available for the 997-generation 911 (2005-08), the 987 Boxster and Cayman (2005-08), and the first-gen Cayenne (2003-08). Porsche are also offering specific devices for different regions for the first time.

Aston Martin DBS 770 Ultimate

The swansong Aston Martin DBS premium GT car, the DBS, is one apt farewell by the British marque. The DBS 770 Ultimate is a lot more than a remapped DBS. The quad-cam, twin-turbo, 5.2-litre V12 petrol engine produces 770 hp and 900 Nm, making it their most potent production vehicle. An eight-speed ZF gearbox sends power solely to the rear wheels. The Ultimate accelerates from 0 to 100 km/h in 3.2 seconds and gets up to 340 km/h.

Chevrolet Corvette E-Ray

THE CORVETTE E-RAY MARKS A DEPARTURE FOR THE LEGENDARY SPORTS CAR name in more ways than one. It's got a V8, yes, but it's got electric support this time. And it has electrified four-wheel drive, too.

The new Corvette comes exactly 70 years after the Corvette made its début at Motorama in New York City. The new one is the first-ever electrified Corvette with all-wheel drive and packs a powerful 6.2-litre LT2 Small Block V8.

Built to deliver a near immediate feeling of thrust from low-end torque, the core Corvette driving experience has been retained. The V8 puts out 502 horsepower with 637 Nm of torque sent to the rear axle. It is complemented by an electric motor that channels an additional 120 kW (163 hp) and 170 Nm of torque through the front wheels. The motor draws power from a 1.9-kWh battery pack that is located between the seats. In total, the Corvette E-Ray produces a combined 665 hp from both the electric motor and the V8 engine. Those figures translate into the E-Ray being the quickest production Corvette in history. It clocks a 2.5-second 0-96 km/h time before breezing through the quarter-mile in 10.5 seconds.

New Mazda CX-90: A Number of Firsts

THE ALL-NEW MAZDA CX-90 IS NOT COMING here. And neither are Mazda. But who can ignore the enthusiast brand that always stuck to its roots and kept its essence alive. As they say, keep what is essential and remove all else. That means nothing but connection between driver and car. The CX-90 is the new SUV from the Japanese auto major and brings a bold exterior to complement its modern underpinnings. Mazda offer both hybrid and electric powertrain options, including their first plug-in hybrid as well.

The CX-90 e-SKYACTIV PHEV will be Mazda's first plug-in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV). It leverages the unique traits of combustion and electrification for both responsive performance and high efficiency. It produces a combined 328 hp from the 2.5-litre four-pot and e-motor.

In addition, Mazda also introduce their first-ever in-line six-cylinder engine. The 3.3-litre, mild-hybrid, turbo-petrol makes 345 hp and 500 Nm, making it the most powerful series-production engine. It supports a front-engine, rear-biased all-wheel-drive layout.

Nissan GT-R R35 Facelift

YES, ANOTHER FACELIFT FOR THE R35 NISSAN GT-R HAS BEEN introduced. The new model does bring some enhancements to go with its new smile that should make new owners smile even wider.

For MY 2024, the GT-R has received a cool re-design with new front and rear fascias, improved aerodynamics, and a few mechanical changes. Nissan have updated their GT-R's front bumper with new higher and lower grilles in the car's 16th year of production.

The Premium trim starts things off with the 3.8-litre twin-turbo V6 pumping out 570 hp and 633 Nm, with a six-speed dual-clutch automatic and all-wheel drive. The "T-spec" is a unique GT-R with special colours and finishes and shares the Premium's 570-hp engine spec.

The GT-R NISMO is the top-of-the-line model with the V6 turned up to 609 hp and 652 Nm. The brakes are larger but lighter and offer significantly better stopping power. It also gets Recaro seats with synthetic suede inserts and an Alcantara-wrapped steering wheel.

Mercedes GLE SUV and Coupé Updated

THE FACELIFT MERCEDES GLE SUV AND COUPÉ MODELS HAVE BEEN introduced. They feature refreshed styling and a revamped line-up of powertrains.

The MY2024 GLE models have seen a series of updates, from cabin elements to new engines. All models feature 48-volt EQ Boost mild-hybrid tech or more advanced electrification as well as 4MATIC all-wheel drive. The GLE 450 petrol (SUV only, no Coupé model), GLE 300 d turbo-diesel, GLE 350 de diesel plug-in hybrid, and AMG GLE 53 have seen minor updates and slightly more power.

The new GLE 450 d turbo-diesel and GLE 400 e petrol plug-in hybrid are the new introductions. The former features a new 2,989-cc in-line six rated at 367 hp and 750 Nm, while the latter is the new PHEV GLE with a 2.0-litre turbo-petrol, 31.2-kWh battery and 100-kW motor, good for 381 hp and 600 Nm combined.

The AMG GLE 53 4MATIC+ still uses the 3.0-litre, in-line six, now uprated to 435 hp and 560 Nm, with a 15-kW ISG assisting with 20 hp and 200 Nm. The larger AMG GLE 63 S 4MATIC+ continues unchanged with the 4.0-litre biturbo V8 making 612 hp and 850 Nm, with a 16-kW ISG (22 hp/250 Nm).

Bugatti Chiron Profilée

THE BUGATTI PROFILÉE IS A BESPOKE CREATION. IT IS EXTREMELY rare for manufacturers to spend time and effort to bring a car to full production specification when they know only one can ever be produced. But the Profilée has been fully developed, tested, and has passed each of the high-quality standards that Bugatti apply to all their cars, allowing it to acquire a single type of approval for Europe.

The new Chiron Profilée has a sweeping fixed tail that serves two purposes: ensuring stability and control up to the maximum 380 km/h and it uses negative pressure to suck out the hot air from the engine compartment via two internal tunnels. The car itself is finished in a distinctive "Argent Atlantique". Other distinctive features include bigger air inlets, an expanded Bugatti "horseshoe" grille, and a redesigned splitter. The lower portion is finished in exposed blue carbon.

The 8.0-litre, quad-turbo, W16 engine produces 1,500 hp but uses 15 per cent shorter transmission ratios than the Pur Sport. The Profilée has a stated 0-100 km/h time of just 2.3 seconds, 0-200 km/h time of 5.5 seconds, and a limited top speed of 380 km/h, 30 km/h more than the Pur Sport.

Hotter BMW M3 CS Arrives

THE NEW BMW M3 ISN'T EVEN HERE IN INDIA YET AND THERE IS A new, far hotter version already out in Europe. The new M3 CS sits above the M3 Competition Coupé with the in-line six, 3.0-litre, twin-turbo petrol engine turned up even further to a peak 550 hp and with 650 Nm, with an eight-speed M automatic transmission. The goal was simple: more power, less weight, and compelling performance. That formula endows the new M3 CS with outstanding performance and an exclusive aura.

The engine boasts of a wealth of technological details derived directly from the M4 GT3 race car. Its crankcase has a sleeve-free closed-deck construction and is extremely rigid, making it suitable for very high combustion pressures. Weight-saving cylinder bores with a wire-arc sprayed iron coating reduce frictional losses. The forged lightweight crankshaft aids power build-up with its exceptionally high torsional resistance while also feeding the engine's high-revving instincts. The cylinder-head has a 3D-printed core, allowing the coolant ducts to be optimally routed for temperature management otherwise impossible to achieve conventionally. The oil and cooling systems are designed to handle the specific challenges of track use.

We Hear

MG Nurture Programme

MG Motor India have signed memoranda of understanding (MoU) with 22 colleges as part of the "MG Nurture" programme to up-skill more than 25,000 students in four years. MG Nurture is an initiative that aims at imparting future-ready skills to students by way of hands-on and experiential training on electric, autonomous, and connected vehicles in various Indian engineering colleges and industrial training institutes (ITI).

This holistic skill development programme will be conducted in close association with technical institutes and will also include a "Campus to Corporate" programme to help the students in honing their soft skills and making their transition to the corporate world easier.

Audi Q3 Sportback Bookings

Audi India have opened bookings for the all-new Audi Q3 Sportback, the first compact coupé crossover in the segment. It brings a striking design and sporty coupé-like silhouette complemented by the S-line exterior package. Introduced with the "40 TFSI quattro" powertrain, it packs the same 2.0-litre, four-cylinder, turbo-petrol engine as the Q3, with 190 hp and 320 Nm. A seven-speed "S tronic" dual-clutch automatic sends the power to the quattro all-wheel-drive system. It can sprint from 0 to 100 km/h in 7.3 seconds. Bookings are open for an initial amount of Rs 2 lakh.

Obituary

K E Kumar, an experienced and respected racer, passed away in an unfortunate accident at the Madras International Circuit. He was 59.

The veteran racer breathed his last at a hospital following a crash in the second round of the MRF MMSC FMSCI Indian National Car Racing Championship at the Madras International Circuit in Irungattukottai on 8 January. The accident occurred when Kumar's car made contact with a competitor during the Saloon Cars race, held on 8 January, at the Circuit.

We offer our deepest condolences to Kumar's family and friends. May he rest in peace.

Apollo Tyres Open Digital Innovation Centre

APOLLO TYRES HAVE ANNOUNCED A DIGITAL INNOVATION CENTRE (DIC) IN HYDERABAD IN partnership with the Telangana government.

An MoU was signed by Jayesh Ranjan, IAS, Principal Secretary for IT and Industries and Commerce, Government of Telangana and Neeraj Kanwar, Vice Chairman and MD, Apollo Tyres Ltd, in the presence of K T Rama Rao, Honourable Minister for IT, Industries and MA&UD, and E Vishnu Vardhan Reddy, Special Secretary, Investment Promotions and External Relations, Goverment of Telangana. The MoU signing and exchange took place after a meeting between the two parties during the ongoing World Economic Forum at Davos. This is the second Digital Innovation Centre for Apollo Tyres, with the first one being in London.

The Digital Innovation Centre will use new-age technologies like IoT, Cloud Computing, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning (ML), Robotic Process Automation (RPA) and Block Chain (BC) to help develop and deliver new business models and market-leading customer service. Apollo Tyres have tied up with global digital leaders, along with leading universities and respective governments for the development of strategic digital applications at these Digital Innovation Centres in Hyderabad and London.

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ATMA Lifetime Achievement Award for MRF's K M Mammen

THE AUTOMOTIVE TYRE MANUFACTURERS' Association (ATMA) has conferred the Lifetime Achievement Award upon K M Mammen, Chairman and Managing Director of MRF Ltd and past chairman, ATMA, in recognition of his distinctive and outstanding leadership qualities, invaluable contribution to the Indian tyre industry, and for leading the industry from the front for over 20 years.

Hisashi Takeuchi, Managing Director and CEO, Maruti Suzuki India Ltd, presented the ATMA Lifetime Achievement Award to Mammen at the ATMA Annual Conclave 2023 in New Delhi.

K M Mammen has been at the helm of every landmark achievement that has brought MRF to the milestone of over Rs 19,000 crore turnover and to its ranking of being among the top tyre companies in the world.

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All-new Lexus RX Bookings Open

THE FIFTH-GENERATION LEXUS RX HAS BEEN INTRODUCED IN INDIA in two versions: the RX 350h and the RX 500h. Bookings are open and the cars are set to be formally launched next month (March 2023).

The RX has undergone a complete revamp, adopting next-generation Lexus design language and expressing a unique identity with captivating style. It will come with connected features and services as well as the latest Lexus Safety System+ 3.0, with a wide selection of exterior colours. Now it is offered with two powertrain choices to meet the diverse needs of the discerning Lexus buyers. Both are offered with the Direct4 all-wheel-drive system and advanced hybrid powertrains.

The RX 350h Luxury Hybrid packs a 193-hp, 2.5-litre, four-cylinder engine and a pair of electric motors, 134-kW front and 40-kW rear, for a combined output of 250 hp. The RX 500h F Sport Performance brings in the new 272-hp, 2.4-litre turbo-petrol and two electric motors, 64-kW front and 76-kW rear, for a hefty combined output of 371 hp.

Audi activesphere Concept

THE FOURTH MODEL IN AUDI'S "SPHERE" SERIES, THE ACTIVESPHERE concept marks the culmination of sphere concept vehicles from the Ingolstadt brand with the skysphere roadster in 2021, the sleek grandsphere sedan, and the urbansphere space concept in April 2022. It is a four-door crossover coupé with a versatile body design. At just short of five metres long, the activesphere is more than a luxury-class sports car, with high ground clearance, and 22-inch wheels announcing its off-road cred. The Sportback rear of the activesphere can turn into an open cargo bed, or "active back", at the touch of a button – perfect for carrying recreational equipment such as e-bikes or water and winter sports gear.

The Audi activesphere aims to be a versatile crosser of boundaries with a drive system and suspension which make it equally adept on both on and off the road. It was conceived and designed at the Audi Design Studio in Malibu, just a stone's throw away from the legendary Pacific Coast Highway.

Toyota Expand Parts Network

TOYOTA KIRLOSKAR MOTOR (TKM) ANNOUNCED THE OPENING OF Vijaya Auto Drive, a Toyota Genuine Parts Distributor, in Bengaluru, Karnataka.

Toyota will appoint 20 such exclusive distributors in the first quarter of 2023, with the goal of serving the needs of about 3,000 retailers and garages nationwide. Distributors are being appointed in Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, Chennai, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, and Kochi as well as in Chandigarh, Karnal, Jaipur, Bhopal, Lucknow, Guwahati, Raipur, Patna, Pune, Ahmedabad, Vijayawada, Hubli, and Madurai. They will serve customers in cities, towns, and remote areas as part of Toyota's commitment to providing customers genuine parts of the highest quality available in the market. The appointment of such distributors will further improve ease and availability of Toyota Genuine Spare Parts and Accessories, guaranteeing a safer drive.

The country's merchants, mechanics, and other outlets will be able to buy Toyota Genuine Parts and Accessories thanks to these distributors. This channel will collaborate with the Toyota Authorized Dealer Network and Toyota Parts Connect, the internet marketplace, further expanding customer convenience and reach.

Mahindra to Set Up EV Plant in Pune

TO SEMAHINDRA ARE GETTING READY TO SET UP A SIZEABLE NEW manufacturing plant in Pune, Maharashtra, to build their forthcoming electric vehicles (EV).

Mahindra and Mahindra, a major automaker, will invest Rs 10,000 crore to establish the manufacturing facility. By 2027, the business wants at least 30 per cent of its sales to come from electric vehicles. They are, therefore, negotiating with the government to establish EV factories.

The Pune plant will be built as part of the Maharashtra government's industrial promotion programme for EV. Mahindra will invest Rs 10,000 crore through a subsidiary over the course of seven to eight years for the facility that would produce the next "Born Electric" series of vehicles.

According to Rajesh Jejurikar, Executive Director at Mahindra (Auto), Maharashtra will become India's EV hub as a result of the government's emphasis on ease of doing business and progressive laws, together with Mahindra's investment. This will increase both domestic and foreign direct investment.

Bentley Bentayga Extended Wheelbase

ADDING TO LUXURY IS NOT SO EASY AND IT INVOLVES much more than simply increasing the size of a car. However, Bentley Motors are more than aware of what is possible and how much they can raise the game. The new EWB version of the Bentayga has been launched in India, starting from Rs 6 crore (base, ex-showroom). The exclusive Azure specification is also being offered in India.

The Bentayga EWB brings a lot more to the table with its wheelbase of 3,175 millimetres, an increase of 180 mm. The weight penalty is 119 kg for the five-seater specification.

The sole powertrain available is the 4.0-litre twin-turbo V8 with 550 hp and 770 Nm, more than enough for this 2.5-tonne super-luxury behemoth.

THE NEW i7
THE i7

BMW 7 Series and i7

THE SEVENTH GENERATION ALL-NEW 7 SERIES HAS BEEN launched in India. The 740i turbo-petrol costs from Rs 1.70 crore, while the all-electric first-ever i7 starts at Rs 1.95 crore, both prices ex-showroom. A diesel-powered 740d and, perhaps, a plug-in hybrid variant will also follow.

The 740i M Sport is locally produced at the BMW Group Plant Chennai while the all-electric BMW i7 xDrive60 comes in as a completely built-up unit (CBU). It brings many innovative features and several unique luxury appointments thanks to being based on the Group's "Cluster Architecture".

The 740i packs a 3.0-litre, 48-volt, mild-hybrid, turbo-petrol engine with 380 hp and 540 Nm, with an eight-speed automatic and all-wheel drive. The i7 xDrive60 has two motors that deliver a combined 400 kW (544 hp) and 745 Nm.

The new 7 can be booked at BMW India dealerships. Deliveries are expected to commence from the next month (March 2023).

BMW X7

THE FLAGSHIP SUV FROM BMW IS THE NEW X7, NOW MADE IN India and launched in 40i and 40d six-cylinder, xDrive, and M Sport variants, priced at Rs 1.22 crore and Rs 1.24 crore (ex-showroom) respectively. Deliveries will commence from March 2023.

The new X7 brings an imposing new front-end design along with innovations across the powertrain, driver assistance, operation, and connectivity. The large kidney grille comes with double bars and the LED headlights are housed in separate modules.

The interior is more modern and luxurious with the digital BMW Curved Display and an ambient light bar now available in 14 colours. Premium upholstery and trim add to the cabin ambience, augmented by the large Sky Lounge Panoramic glass sunroof.

The TwinPower Turbo 3.0-litre petrol and diesel engines are both 48-volt mild-hybrids with a starter/generator (12 hp/200 Nm) and offer high power and efficiency with instant response. The X7 xDrive40i has 380 hp and 540 Nm, allowing acceleration from 0 to 100 km/h in 5.8 seconds. The all-new xDrive40d replaces the 30d in India and produces a hefty 352 hp and 720 Nm, combined, good for 0-100 km/h in 5.9 seconds.

Hyundai Aura

THE NEW HYUNDAI AURA JOINS THE GRAND I10 NIOS HATCHBACK AS the compact sedan on the platform. It is priced between Rs 6.30 lakh for the entry "E" petrol and goes up to Rs 8.87 lakh for the "SX CNG" trim, both ex-showroom.

The new Aura brings an interesting new face and retains its proportions for a rather generous cabin. It gets an exciting new design and elements with neat LED lighting and a neat boot-lip spoiler at the rear on top trim levels. Safety is vastly improved as well with dual front and side airbags as standard and an additional two curtain airbags available in higher variants. Electronic stability control and vehicle stability management are included. The Aura also gets an 8.0-inch touchscreen, rear-view monitor, reverse camera, push-button start, smartphone wireless charger, and many more features.

The 1.2-litre four-cylinder petrol engine develops 83 hp and 114 Nm on petrol and 69 hp and 95.2 Nm on CNG. A manual transmission is standard, whereas the petrol engine gets one automated SX+ variant, priced at Rs 8.73 lakh, ex-showroom.

HYUNDAI
Grand i10 NIOS

Hyundai Grand i10 Nios

HYUNDAI HAVE INTRODUCED THE FACELIFT GRAND I10 NIOS FROM Rs 5.68 lakh (ex-showroom) with just the 1.2-litre Kappa four-cylinder engine. However, the engine is now E20 compatible, offered in petrol manual and automated guises, as well as with a bi-fuel CNG version.

The new Grand i10 Nios brings an exciting new design and elements with a cool LED light bar across the rear, connecting the tail-light clusters. The new Nios vastly improves safety. Four airbags (dual front and side) are standard with two curtain airbags being optional. More than 30 advanced safety features are offered. It also gets an 8.0-inch touchscreen, push-button start, cruise control, a tyre-pressure monitor, ISOFIX child-seat anchors, and USB Type-C fast charger.

Three powertrain combinations are available, all of which are RDE-compliant and E20 fuel ready. The 1.2-litre petrol engine has four manual variants and three automated variants, each with a five-speed transmission, priced between Rs 5.68 lakh and Rs 8.47 lakh. Two CNG variants, Magna and Sportz, are priced at Rs 7.56 lakh and Rs 8.11 lakh, respectively, all prices ex-showroom.

Hyundai IONIQ 5

HYUNDAI'S ALL-NEW PREMIUM ELECTRIC CAR, THE IONIQ 5, IS HERE as the first offering on the E-GMP platform. It joins the Kona Electric in the line-up, positioned well above it at Rs 44.95 lakh (ex-showroom).

The IONIQ 5 is a properly modern electric luxury SUV with a long wheelbase, generous cabin room, and cutting-edge entertainment, connectivity and safety technology. It packs two 12.3-inch high-resolution displays, a sprawling glass "Vision Roof", Bluelink, and over 60 active and passive safety features, 21 of which are part of the ADAS suite.

The IONIQ 5 is made in India and equipped with a 160-kW motor good for 217 hp and 350 Nm. It is mounted on the rear axle and powered by a 72.6-kWh battery pack. It can sprint from zero to 100 km/h in 7.6 seconds and get up to 200 km/h.

You may read our first drive review on page 56 of this very issue.

Mahindra Thar RWD

MAHINDRA HAVE INTRODUCED A REAR-WHEEL DRIVE (RWD) VERSION of their popular off-roader, the Thar. One petrol-automatic and two diesel-manual variants are available. These are the mStallion LX AT petrol at Rs 13.49 lakh, the CRDe diesel AX(O) at Rs 9.99 lakh, and the LX at Rs 10.99 lakh (all ex-showroom). All three are available as hard-top models only.

The Thar RWD is aimed at buyers who just want a stylish and rugged-looking urban runabout or for those who want a buff design for rough-road use without the 4x4 off-road ability. The new Thar fits the bill with potent engine choices with a lot of convenience features included a well.

The mStallion is the same 2.0-litre, four-cylinder, turbo-petrol, with 152 hp and 320 Nm, paired to a six-speed manual transmission. The turbo-diesel is a new 1.5-litre litre engine with 119 hp and 300 Nm, paired to a five-speed manual transmission.

Mahindra XUV400

THE MAHINDRA XUV400 ELECTRIC SUV HAS BEEN LAUNCHED IN TWO variants, EC and EL, and three charging options, priced between Rs 15.99 lakh and Rs 18.99 lakh (ex-showroom).

The XUV400 is a longer and more premium version of the XUV300. It still has a 2.6-metre wheelbase but is now 205 millimetres longer overall at 4.2 metres. The boot volume is now 378 litres. It offers three drive modes: Fun, Fast, and Fearless. Inside, it gets a 7.0-inch infotainment system equipped with Android Auto and Apple CarPlay, while the BlueSense PlusApp offers 60-plus mobile app-based connected features. It also gets six airbags.

Motive force comes from a 110-kW e-motor with 150 hp and 310 Nm. A 34.5-kWh battery in the EC and 39.4-kWh in the EL are good for a range of 375 km and 456 km respectively. The EC has a 3.3- and 7.2-kW charging option, while the EL gets the latter. Both the motor and battery are IP67-rated. The company claims a 0-100 km/h sprint in 8.3 seconds and a top speed of 160 km/h.

Maruti Suzuki Grand Vitara S-CNG

NOW THERE IS A COMPRESSED NATURAL GAS (CNG) ALTERNATIVE-fuel version of the Grand Vitara SUV with S-CNG technology. Two variants, Delta and Zeta, are available, priced at Rs 12.85 lakh and Rs 14.84 lakh respectively, both ex-showroom.

The new models aim at offering an eco-friendly as well as economical option for prospective customers to choose from. The Grand Vitara S-CNG are offered with the 1.5-litre K-series four-cylinder petrol engine with a five-speed manual transmission. This engine produces 88 hp at 5,500 rpm and 121.5 Nm of peak torque at 4,200 rpm when on CNG. The standard 45-litre petrol tank is joined by a dedicated CNG tank. Details of CNG tank capacity and claimed fuel economy have not yet been communicated.

MG Hector

MG MOTOR INDIA HAVE BROUGHT IN THE NEXT-GEN HECTOR WITH autonomous Level 2 advanced driver assistance and a choice of petrol and diesel engines. Prices start from Rs 14.73 lakh for the five-seater petrol "Style" variant and go up to Rs 22.43 lakh for the petrol-CVT "Savvy Pro Plus" variant. The diesel range costs between Rs 19.06 lakh and Rs 22.21 lakh, all ex-showroom.

The new Hector stands out with a new diamond-mesh grille. Inside, it packs India's largest in-car front touchscreen with a 14-inch HD Portrait infotainment system. It also offers a segment-first Digital Bluetooth key with key-sharing function. The ADAS features now include traffic jam assist (TJA). Over 75 connected car features are included.

A choice of five, six or seven seats is offered. Power comes from a 1.5-litre turbo-petrol engine with 143 hp and 250 Nm, available with a manual gearbox or a CVT automatic. A 2.0-litre turbo-diesel with 170 hp and 350 Nm is also offered with only a manual transmission.

Mercedes-AMG E 53 Cabriolet

THE NEW MERCEDES-AMG E 53 4MATIC+ CABRIOLET HAS BEEN launched in India at Rs 1.30 crore (ex-showroom). This is the first AMG Cabriolet model to be introduced in India.

The AMG E 53 4MATIC+ Cabriolet joins the Coupé model first introduced in 2021. It is powered by a 3.0-litre, in-line six, 48-volt mild-hybrid turbo-petrol that delivers 435 hp and 520 Nm, supplemented by the 48V integrated starter/generator (ISG). The ISG adds 16 kW (22 hp) and 250 Nm of torque which helps with starting off, acceleration, and coasting, among other things, while also boosting fuel efficiency. An AMG Speedshift TCT-9G automatic transmission feeds drive to the sport-tuned 4MATIC+ all-wheel-drive system. It can sprint from zero to 100 km/h in 4.5 seconds.

Porsche Taycan GTS

THE ELECTRIC PORSCHE SPORTS CAR LINE-UP IN INDIA HAS BEEN enhanced with the introduction of the Taycan GTS, priced from Rs 1.95 crore (ex-showroom).

"GTS" stands for Gran Turismo Sport, three letters that have held special significance for Porsche fans ever since the creation of the Porsche 904 Carrera GTS 60 years ago. With the Taycan GTS now, there is a derivative with this legendary letter combination in every Porsche model series.

The Taycan GTS packs two motors, one each front and rear, for a combined output of up to 440 kW (598 hp) and 850 Nm of torque, powered by a 93.4-kWh battery pack. It is also the first Taycan to break the 500-km range mark with up to 504 km (WLTP, combined). It can sprint from zero to 100 km/h in just 3.7 seconds and attain a top speed of 250 km/h.

The GTS brings traditional black detailing and aesthetic enhancements. A new optional extra is the "Light Control" panoramic roof with an electrically switchable liquid-crystal film that can change the roof—divided into nine segments—from clear to matte, for better heat control.

Porsche 911 Carrera T

PORSCHE HAVE INTRODUCED THE LIGHTWEIGHT, REAR-WHEEL-DRIVE, and even sportier "T" variant of the 911, from Rs 1.81 crore (ex-showroom). Both manual and automatic transmissions are offered.

The Carrera T is a special model, pointing to its *turismo* or touring credentials. The standard 911 T features a seven-speed manual gearbox and rear-wheel drive. The eight-speed PDK (Porsche *Doppelkupplung*) double-clutch automatic is also available. Other changes include just two seats, with the rear seats omitted, standard PASM sports suspension which is 10 millimetres lower, standard Sports Chrono *paket*, and reduced insulation for more engine sound in the cabin. The standard equipment from the Carrera S with a manual transmission is aided by Porsche Torque Vectoring (PTV) with a mechanical rear differential lock.

The new 911 Carrera T slots in between the Carrera and the Carrera S. Its biturbo six-cylinder boxer engine makes 385 hp and 450 Nm, enough for an acceleration from zero to 100 km/h in 4.5 seconds and a top speed of 291 km/h.

Renault BS6-II Range

RENAULT HAVE INTRODUCED THEIR UPDATED LINE-UP OF CARS ahead of the implementation of Bharat Stage 6 Level 2 emission control regulations from April 2023.

The new Renault cars are equipped with OBD (on-board diagnostics) that will allow them to have a self-diagnostic nature for emission control, as is required going forward for RDE (real-world driving emissions). The device will constantly monitor the vehicle's emission levels while driving, along with other critical emission devices such as the catalytic converter and oxygen sensors.

The Kwid, Triber, and Kiger are all available with a 1.0-litre three-cylinder petrol engine making 68 hp and 91 Nm. Five-speed manual and "Easy-R" automated transmissions are available. The Kiger also gets a 1.0 Turbo petrol version with 100 hp and up to 160 Nm, with a choice of manual or CVT automatic.

The Kwid starts from Rs 4.70 lakh, the Triber from Rs 6.34 lakh, and the Kiger from Rs 6.50 lakh, all ex-showroom. The prices have gone up by between Rs 50,000 and Rs 1 lakh approximately.

Tata Nexon EV Prime and EV Max

THE TATA NEXON EV PRIME AND EV MAX HAVE SEEN A REFRESH with prices starting from Rs 14.49 lakh and going up to Rs 18.99 lakh (ex-showroom).

The EV Prime has a 30.2-kWh battery pack with a 3.3-kW charger while the EV Max houses a larger 40.5-kWh battery with either 3.3- or 7.2-kW chargers. The Prime has a claimed range of 312 km and the Max 437 km. The latest software editions are readily available for installation at dealerships.

The Nexon EV Prime features projector headlamps and LED DRL, push-button start, digital TFT instrument cluster, cruise control, "ZConnect" connected car tech with smartwatch connectivity, a Harman infotainment system, and automatic climate control. The top XZ+ Lux trim of the EV Max boasts of ventilated seats, wireless charging, air-purifier, electric sunroof, and 7.0-inch infotainment, to name a few.

Bookings are open and deliveries will commence from April 2023.

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ëC3's Demerits

What are the cons of the Citroën ëC3?

Balamurugan S, via social media

Dear Balamurugan,
During our short time with the Citroën ëC3, it made a positive impression on us as a good electric city car. Two things that seemed out of place were the basic driver's display and the lack of electrically adjustable mirrors.

DRL at Drive-in

How does one turn off the car's daytime running lights (DRL) at a drive-in film show?

Jomon S, via social media

Hello, Jomon,
The procedure for turning off the DRL is different for each manufacturer. For some cars it can be switched off from the vehicle settings menu while others require using the car's light switches in a specific combination. However, in the interest of safety, we would advise you to turn them back on before driving home.

ICOTY Mechanism

What do the Indian Car of the Year (ICOTY) Award jury take into consideration while awarding points and why are the cars launched in December 2022 not considered for this award? show?

Sudeep R, via social media

Hello, Sudeep,
The Indian Car of the Year Award jury award points based on many factors, including price, handling, fuel efficiency, usability, and versatility. Above all, the car must be a class apart its rivals in the same segment. Cars launched in December 2022 are not considered for this year's award because they may not be delivered in time and, therefore, not be in actual use on Indian roads by the time the 2023 awards are announced.

First Car, Maybe Electric

Now that I am ready to buy my first car, I am thinking of starting with a small electric car for city use. Which models should I test-drive? Please advise me based on the expectations of a first-time car-owner.

Arjun K, via social media

Dear Arjun,
Based on your requirements, we suggest you test drive the Tata Tiago.ev and the Citroën ëC3. Both are small cars that are easy to drive and to get accustomed to.

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UPS AND DOWNS

We compile and analyse sales data to find the most popular cars of the month past

Top 10 **Bestsellers** December 2022

Car		November	December	Change
MARUTI SUZUKI **Baleno**		20,945 units	16,932 units	-19.16%
MARUTI SUZUKI **Ertiga**		13,818 units	12,273 units	-11.18%
MARUTI SUZUKI **Swift**		15,153 units	12,061 units	-20.41%
TATA **Nexon**		15,871 units	12,053 units	-24.06%
MARUTI SUZUKI **Dzire**		14,456 units	11,997 units	-17.01%
MARUTI SUZUKI **Brezza**		11,324 units	11,200 units	-1.10%
TATA **Punch**		13,121 units	10,586 units	-19.32%
MARUTI SUZUKI **Eeco**		7,183 units	10,581 units	47.31%
HYUNDAI **Creta**		13,321 units	10,205 units	-23.39%
MARUTI SUZUKI **WagonR**		14,720 units	10,181 units	-30.84%

Top Five **SUVs**

Car		November	December	Change
TATA **Nexon**		15,871 units	12,053 units	-24.06%
MARUTI SUZUKI **Brezza**		11,324 units	11,200 units	-1.10%
TATA **Punch**		13,121 units	10,586 units	-19.32%
HYUNDAI **Creta**		13,321 units	10,205 units	-23.39%
HYUNDAI **Venue**		10,738 units	8,285 units	-22.84%

Top Five **Sedans**

Car		November	December	Change
MARUTI SUZUKI **Dzire**		14,456 units	11,997 units	-17.01%
HYUNDAI **Aura**		3,813 units	4,156 units	9.00%
HONDA **Amaze**		3,890 units	3,614 units	-7.10%
HONDA **City**		2,711 units	3,086 units	13.83%
ŠKODA **Slavia**		2,022 units	2,257 units	11.62%

Source: Autopunditz

Young India,
it’s Time to Buckle Up

#BeTheBetterGuy

A Road Safety Initiative

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Hyundai #BeTheBetterGuy campaign aims to make Indian roads 'Safer-for-Everyone'. We, at *Car India*, urge Gen Z and Millennials to create a Chain-of-Change.

Story: **Kurt Morris** Photography: **Apurva Ambep**

CAR INDIA HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN THE Hyundai "#BeTheBetterGuy" road safety campaign for the past few years. This campaign is aimed at promoting safe driving habits and reducing road accidents in India. Hyundai Motor India partnered with *Car India* with a view to raise awareness about the importance of responsible driving, especially among young drivers. As part of the campaign, *Car India* published articles and features highlighting the dangers of reckless driving and the importance of following traffic rules. In order to apprise the public of a safe driving behaviour, the magazine also organised events and held road safety courses.

The public embraced the Hyundai "#BeTheBetterGuy" campaign and a number of people attended the events and workshops organised by *Car India*. Readers of the magazine also gave the publication favourable feedback and expressed their appreciation of this joint initiatives to make the public aware about traffic safety. *Car India*'s participation in the campaign was essential in order to get the word out about road safety to a wide readership, having a correspondingly beneficial impact on many people's lives.

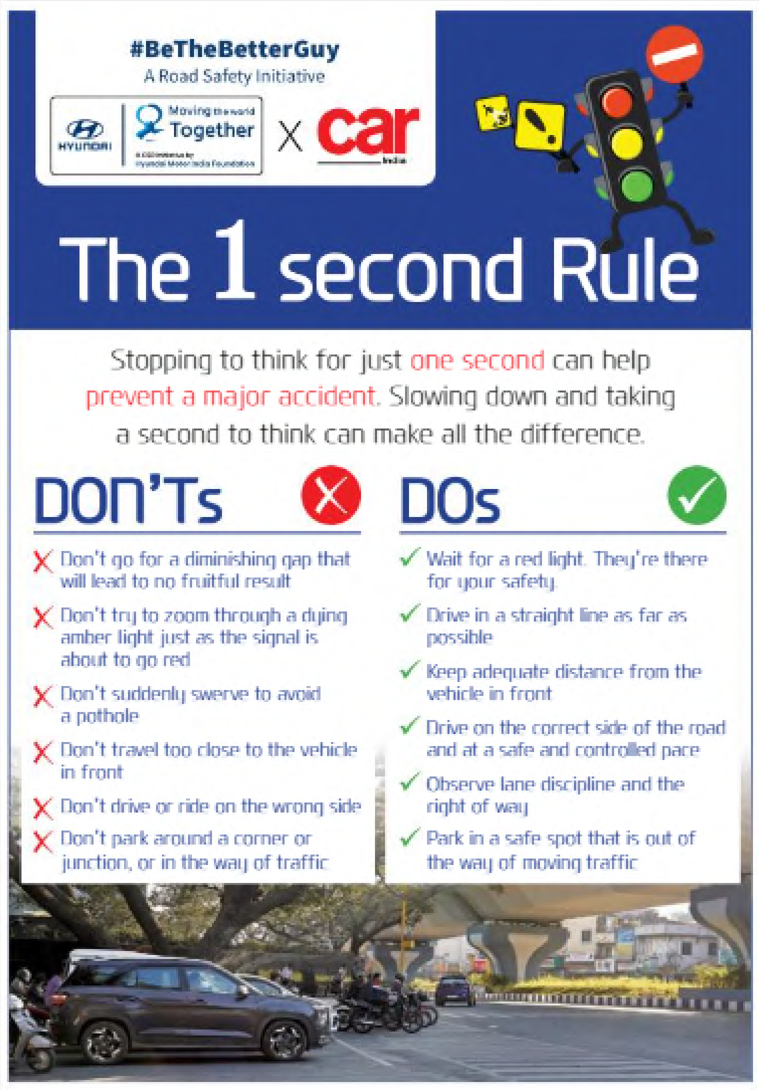
Now Hyundai Motor India Limited, the largest auto exporter in the country since its foundation and one of the most prominent proponents of corporate social responsibility (CSR) thanks to Hyundai's global CSR vision called 'CONTINUE'. , have announced the sixth edition of the "#BeTheBetterGuy" Initiative. Road safety awareness has greatly increased among a number of demographics thanks to Hyundai's innovative mass movement.

The sixth edition of "#BeTheBetterGuy"—"Buckle-up, Young India"— is about this topic. The campaign wants to interact with 400 million or more Gen Z and millennial road-users on an emotional level. The objective is to encourage road-users to begin a "Chain-of-Change" by altering their behaviour and mindset in a positive way.

Car India is located in the city of Pune, which is renowned for its history, diverse cultural legacy, and expanding information technology and automobile sectors. Meanwhile, the city is also experiencing significant traffic congestion, particularly during rush hours, as a result of growing urbanisation and population. The issue is exacerbated by the city's congested roads, limited public transport infrastructure, and poor traffic control. Long periods of time spent in bumper-to-bumper traffic tend to make commuting in Pune tough and stressful.

In addition to adding to air pollution, the city's clogged roads give rise to the danger of accidents. In order to address the issue, the state government and the Pune Municipal Corporation have made an attempt to improve public transport and expand the city's road network. However, more needs to be done to address the problem of traffic congestion in Pune, such as putting in place an efficient traffic management system, encouraging carpooling, and promoting the use of alternative modes of transport.

Recently *Car India* had a discussion with Vijaykumar Magar, an IPS officer, about road safety. The conversation resulted into insightful information about the country's road safety concerns and the measures being taken to address them. In order to lower the incidence of traffic-related mishaps in the country, Magar discussed the significance of enforcing traffic regulations, enhancing road infrastructure, and promoting safe driving habits. He underscored the need for stringent traffic law enforcement to promote road safety, including the use of seat-belts, helmets, and respecting speed restrictions. The officer also discussed the function of technology in enhancing traffic safety and the advantages of integrating cutting-edge technologies into the current infrastructure, such as autonomous enforcement systems.



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The 1 second Rule

Stopping to think for just one second can help prevent a major accident. Slowing down and taking a second to think can make all the difference.

DON'Ts

- ✗ Don't go for a diminishing gap that will lead to no fruitful result
- ✗ Don't try to zoom through a dying amber light just as the signal is about to go red
- ✗ Don't suddenly swerve to avoid a pothole
- ✗ Don't travel too close to the vehicle in front
- ✗ Don't drive or ride on the wrong side
- ✗ Don't park around a corner or junction, or in the way of traffic

DOs

- ✓ Wait for a red light. They're there for your safety
- ✓ Drive in a straight line as far as possible
- ✓ Keep adequate distance from the vehicle in front
- ✓ Drive on the correct side of the road and at a safe and controlled pace
- ✓ Observe lane discipline and the right of way
- ✓ Park in a safe spot that is out of the way of moving traffic

Magar averred that by strengthening road safety, monitoring traffic offences, and improving the road infrastructure, technology can play a significant role in minimising accidents. He also highlighted the value of a public-private alliance in advancing traffic safety. He emphasised the importance of the media, including publications like *Car India*, in raising public awareness about the dangers of driving recklessly and the duty of the law-abiding citizen in this regard.

The conversation with Vijaykumar Magar threw up valuable information about the problems and potential solutions for improving road safety in India as well as the crucial role that enforcement agencies, technology, and a public-private partnership play in doing so.

For this year's "#BeTheBetterGuy" road safety campaign we proposed the "One-second Rule" at traffic signals. It concerns the distance a driver should maintain from the vehicle in front at a red light. The rule suggests that a driver should allow one second of time for every 10 feet of vehicle length, which helps ensure a safe stopping distance in case the vehicle in front suddenly moves. This also helps prevent rear-end collisions and reduce the likelihood of mishaps at traffic lights. Awareness of the "One-second Rule" can help drivers make safer decisions on the road and create a safer driving environment for all.

The "#BeTheBetterGuy" road safety campaign emphasizes the importance of

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following traffic rules, avoiding distractions while driving, and being courteous to other road-users. It seeks to highlight the role of drivers in making roads safer for everyone and encourages them to be the better person by being mindful of their driving habits and behaviour. The campaign comprises various activities and events, including road safety workshops, awareness drives, and public service announcements, to educate and sensitize drivers to the importance of road safety.

For the campaign, we also had recourse to social media platforms to spread the message and communicate with a wider audience. The objective is to create a safer and more responsible road culture in India and to encourage drivers to take personal responsibility for their actions on the road. By promoting safe and responsible driving, Hyundai aim to reduce the number of road accidents and fatalities and create a safer and more harmonious road environment for all. Gen Z and Millennials in particular are the target audience of the "Be the Better Guy" road safety campaign, which attempts to inform and involve them about safe driving habits. The campaign's objective is to encourage drivers to prioritise their own and other people's safety while making decisions, therefore fostering a culture of road safety. For instance, the campaign may employ interactive games or quizzes on social media to check participants' familiarity with rules and best practises for driving safety. The campaign may work with well-known influencers and celebrities to produce entertaining video material that emphasises the value of safe driving practises.

The Hyundai "#BeTheBetterGuy" road safety campaign is a noteworthy initiative that upholds the value of cautious and responsible driving and implores motorists to be aware of their actions on the road. While underscoring the need for a more responsible driving culture, the campaign also aspires to make Indian roads safer and more peaceful for everyone.

It is admirable that Hyundai is taking steps to guarantee the security of its customers on Indian roadways. To ensure road safety, though, is not simply up to one corporation. As drivers and passengers, it is our shared responsibility to put our own and our loved ones' safety first on the road.

Let's make a commitment to obeying traffic laws, using seatbelts, avoiding distractions when driving, and never operating a vehicle while impaired by alcohol or drugs. To make driving safer for everyone, let's also push for improved infrastructure and stronger enforcement of traffic laws. Just keep in mind that any one of us can make a difference by making a small effort to prevent accidents and save lives.

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All About Electronic Advancement

Some of the most significant developments and cutting-edge technologies in the consumer electronics industry were on display at this year's Consumer Electronics Show (CES) in Las Vegas. As technology companies and automakers showcase some of their latest designs and technologies, the expo is also evolving into more and more of a car show with each new iteration

Story: **Kurt Morris**

EVEN THOUGH "CONSUMER ELECTRONICS" aren't often associated with vehicles, the CES always delivers when it comes to automotive technology and the 2023 trade event was no exception. Everyone joined, from Google to BMW, Volkswagen, and Garmin, either with completely new automobiles or cool new features for current cars.

BMW i Vision Dee

BMW i introduced the Vision Dee, a mid-sized sedan concept that makes use of the same cutting-edge colour-changing E Ink technology as the company's iX Flow concept car from CES 2022. The body of the BMW i Vision Dee is divided into 240 E Ink parts, each of which can be individually manipulated to change colour. This means that the car may produce an almost unlimited variety of colour and pattern combinations to change how it looks. A mixed reality slider and an enhanced heads-up display that makes use of "shy-tech" sensors are also included with the Vision Dee. Drivers may choose how much digital content they wish to view on the display.

Ram 1500 EV

The Ram 1500 Revolution Concept, a battery-powered product, is one of those cars this year that have used advancements involving technology employed in the construction sector. The Ram 1500 EV, which will be the first electrified Ram Trucks product in 2024, is just one of a portfolio of fully electric products that the company claims would set Ram apart from their competitors.

Ram's important contribution to Stellantis' "Dare Forward 2030" strategy plans to lead the way the world moves by providing cutting-edge, eco-friendly, secure, and cost-effective mobility solutions, including the Ram 1500 Revolution BEV Concept.

Sony Afeela

Sony unveiled a brand-new electric vehicle prototype, dubbed Afeela, three years after showcasing a car idea. When it is released, which might happen as early as 2026, the electric car will use Qualcomm technology that was created in partnership with Honda.

In his keynote address, Sony CEO Kenichiro Yoshida referred to the vehicle as a "moving entertainment zone". For the purpose of ensuring passenger security and safety, the prototype is outfitted with 45 cameras and sensors, both inside and outside the car.

Volkswagen ID.7

Volkswagen displayed the latest member of their EV family. The company has displayed an electroluminescent ID.7 EV, which is built on the modular electric drive matrix and is concealed and uses electroluminescent light effects as its first entirely electric sedan (MEB). Based on a simulated WLTP cycle, it states that European models have an estimated range of up to 700 kilometres.

The ID.7 features a revolutionary display concept, a 15-inch screen, digitally controlled air-vents, and augmented reality head-up display. The new a-c is intelligent and has a variety of features which can sense when the driver is close by using their key and can begin to cool or heat the interior of the car before they get in.

Peugeot Inception

Peugeot unveiled a brand-new all-electric concept as the company begins to transition to electric mobility. The Inception idea, which is a preview of the brand's prospective automobile designs, was supported by the largest version of parent company Stellantis' impending STLA modular architecture.

The Inception is a sleek, futuristic-appearing coupé with sharp design cues and fresh spins on some of the brand's iconic design motifs. The front "grille" is a single-piece panel with a 3D luminous design with the Peugeot insignia in the middle. In the shape of the recognisable claw design for the brand, the panel also houses the headlamps on the exterior borders.

Hyundai MOBIS

At CES 2023, Hyundai Motor revealed its "NEW MOBIS" concept, signalling a step forward as a mobility provider of an integrated platform centred on software. In order to stress the core of the company's future strategy, namely the innovation of the user experience and the supply of integrated solutions tailored to the demands of customers, the company's name was also redefined as "MObility Beyond Integrated Solution."

The long-term objective of Hyundai Motor and the primary plan for the MOBIS is to establish themselves as a mobility platform provider of integrated solutions by fusing the essential elements of connectivity, autonomous driving, and electrification.

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Stalwart *Legacy*

A look back at all the sedans that Volkswagen have offered in India that helped pave the way for the exciting new Virtus

Story: **Kurt Morris**

THE SEDAN LEGACY OF Volkswagen India dates back to the early 2000s when the German automobile giant launched its first car in the Indian market. Over the years, Volkswagen India have launched several cars, such as the Vento, Jetta, and Passat, all of which have been very successful. The Volkswagen India sedan legacy is characterized by cars that have been safe, reliable, durable, practical, and engaging to drive.

We take a moment to reflect upon and appreciate the sedan body style or a three-box form with a distinct boot, engine compartment, and passenger cabin that distinguish the sedan as a type of automobile body. Luxury and executive cars are frequently linked with this form of vehicle, mostly utilised for medium to large-sized vehicles. With its roomy interior and sleek and smooth form, the sedan body style is well-liked because it is a convenient and useful option for daily use. It is a handy option for families or those who need to transport stuff in the boot because it has plenty of storage space.

Let us take a look at the car that started their sedan legacy in India, the Volkswagen Passat, a mid-size luxury car that was introduced in 2008. It was available with both diesel and petrol engine options, offering a comfortable and spacious interior along with advanced safety features. The Passat remained a solid choice for those seeking a premium German car in India. It officially established Volkswagen as a brand to reckon with in our country.

Then we come to one of the stars of the VW Group, the Volkswagen Phaeton, a full-size luxury car. It was positioned as a flagship model for Volkswagen in the country and offered advanced technology and powertrains, a spacious and quiet interior, and several premium features. The Phaeton remains a well-regarded car among luxury car enthusiasts and is known for its high-quality engineering and understated design.

Up next is the Volkswagen Jetta, a mid-size sedan available in India since 2007. Over the years, the Jetta has become one of Volkswagen's popular models in India, offering a comfortable

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and spacious interior, excellent safety, good fuel efficiency, and a stylish design with robust buidl quality. The car was praised for its handling and ride comfort, making it a popular choice in the mid-size sedan segment. The Jetta underwent several updates and facelifts since its introduction in India and it remained a popular option for those seeking a premium German car with a good balance of performance and comfort.

The Vento was introduced in 2010 as a premium offering in the mid-size sedan segment, while the Ameo was introduced in 2016 as a sub-compact sedan aimed at the budget-conscious customer. Both the Vento and the Ameo offered a spacious interior, excellent handling dynamics, good fuel efficiency, and a comfortable ride, making them popular among car-buyers. The Vento was positioned as a more premium offering, with a focus on design, technology, and safety features, while the Ameo was positioned as a more value-oriented option, offering a good balance of features and performance at a more affordable price point. Both the Vento and the Ameo were built in India and were popular choices among Indian car-buyers seeking a stylish, practical, and affordable German car.

Now let's look at the present: the Virtus. The Volkswagen Virtus is a mid-size sedan that was first launched in 2022. It is the latest offering by Volkswagen in the Indian market and it has been designed to combine the best elements of a sedan with the convenience of a hatchback. The Virtus has two engine options: a 1.0-litre TSI turbocharged three-pot petrol engine that produces 115 hp and 178 Nm of torque, and a 1.5-litre, four-cylinder TSI turbo-petrol "GT" that produces 150 hp and 250 Nm. It is mated to a six-speed manual or automatic gearbox, with the 1.5 TSI also offering the lightning-quick seven-speed DSG automatic.

The Volkswagen Virtus is designed to offer a safe, comfortable and luxurious experience with its spacious cabin and a host of advanced features. It comes with a panoramic sunroof, dual-zone climate control, and an eight-inch touchscreen infotainment system with Android Auto and Apple CarPlay compatibility. The Virtus also comes equipped with cruise control, an electronic parking brake, and a host of safety features, including six airbags and a rear-view camera. It is designed to be an affordable yet luxurious and dynamic option in the mid-size sedan segment.

Starting at Rs 11.32 lakh (ex-showroom), it is reasonably priced and is offered in four trims: Comfortline, Highline, Topline, and GT. The car has appealing style that is both sporty and elegant. It is a fantastic choice for individuals looking for a reasonably priced and opulent mid-size sedan. It is certain to attract the attention of a broad variety of buyers in the Indian market owing to its appealing design, roomy interior, robust build, and an assortment of cutting-edge technologies.

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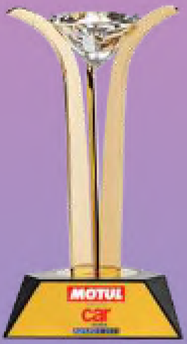

The readers are the reason why *Car India* has grown into a powerhouse for four-wheeler content. Thus, when it comes to awarding a truly competent four-wheeler, your input is crucial. This award is completely decided by you. Let us know which of these cars you believe should win the award this year. And, as always, we have some special surprises for a few lucky participants.

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Stallion Ride

WITH THE 2020 DÉBUT OF THE NEW Thar, Mahindra witnessed a significant increase in sales. Everyone was pleased with the sub-four-metre SUV's updated design and feature-rich interior. Simply because of how it appears, this SUV has gained an aspirational status among many. Moreover, the 10x increase in sales is evidence that customers like the new Thar.

To check out this new Thar RWD (rear-wheel drive), we invited a friend of *Car India*. We asked Dr. Irisha Poonawalla to come and experience it as she had expressed a keen interest in this particular vehicle. Irisha is a respected and successful professional. She has devoted her professional life to assisting and bettering the lives of individuals in her community. She has a background in performing arts, specifically dancing, and a passion for jewellery design. Hers is an abiding commitment to making a positive impact on the world through her job in the jewellery industry or her content-writing pursuits.

Dr. Irisha Poonawalla is also well-known for her enthusiasm for unique and stylish automobiles and outdoor adventure activities such as camping. The Mahindra Thar, a tough and adaptable SUV renowned for its exceptional ability, is one of her favourite cars. She appreciates the strength and adaptability of the Thar RWD, which she hopes to use for both driving around in the city and tackling

Mahindra's new Thar goes rear-wheel drive (RWD). We take it on a little excursion with our eco-preneur friend, Dr. Irisha Poonawalla

Story: **Kurt Morris** Photography: **Apurva Ambep**

rough terrain. With its roomy and comfortable interior, it is an ideal car for her active lifestyle. She is always in charge behind the wheel of her hatchback and is now looking to get behind that of the Mahindra Thar.

The Mahindra Thar is a compact SUV that combines contemporary style with off-road prowess on the basis of a bold and tough design. Its robust construction, unique grille, and boxy form perfectly capture its adventurous nature. The cabin is both practical and cosy, offering plenty of room for passengers as well as a number of innovations that improve the driving experience. The Thar is an ideal fusion of style and function because of its roomy cabin, flexible back seats, state-of-the-art electronics, and numerous storage possibilities. It is built to offer a superior driving experience, whether one is navigating rough terrain or skimming city streets.

You can easily spot the RWD variation of the Thar due to its stunning new colours: Blazing Bronze, Orange or White. It's not yet known, though, whether these hues will just be available on the RWD. The colour "Blazing Bronze" was taken from the XUV300, so if you're wondering whether you've heard of it before, you'd be right. There are also four other colours on offer: Napoli Black, Aquamarine, Red Rage, and Galaxy Grey. Taking in all the design detail, Irisha was impressed by the overall appeal of the Thar with its rugged and tough look.

The large 18-inch all-terrain Ceat tyres on this SUV made it

Irisha and her creations were both comfortable on our excursion with the new Mahindra Thar RWD

look particularly striking and gave it a powerful presence on the road. Last but not least, when it came to the interior, Irisha really liked the high seating position because it made it easy for her to drive the Thar through the busy streets of our city and the unfamiliar outskirts she often frequents.

Having explored the urban jungle for a while, we decided to head to those very outskirts, to a stud farm for a dekko at the stallions. Speaking of stallions, let's talk about the engines powering the new Thar RWD. First, there is a 2.0-litre mStallion 150 TGDi turbo-petrol engine with 152 hp and 320 Nm of torque. There is also a new 117 CRDe four-cylinder diesel engine, more efficient due to its smaller size. It is mated to a six-speed manual transmission to provide 119 hp and 300 Nm of torque. We were fortunate to get the more powerful mStallion turbo petrol engine. This engine is quiet and vibration-free and total insulation muffles outside noises as well.

Once we reached the stud farm after driving on the highway, Irisha commented on the Thar being loaded with features that she got to experience during the drive. Stuff such as the touchscreen infotainment system with Android Auto and Apple CarPlay allowed her to connect her smartphone with ease and one feature that caught her eye was the Adventure Statistics on display in the Thar. Furthermore, the Tyre Direction Monitoring System and Tyre Pressure Monitoring System helped her feel secure with the vehicle. We also pointed out some of the other incredible safety features such as the four-star GNCAP rating for both adult and child occupant safety, dual airbags, ABS, ESP, built-in roll-cage, three-point seat-belts for all passengers, and Hill-hold and Hill Descent Control. For Irisha, safety is an important factor because she drives a lot on the highway in connection with her jewellery business. Having taken a note of all these safety features, she was quite pleased with the Thar.

Upon reaching the stud farm located off the beaten track, we got a chance to explore the all-road capabilities of the Thar RWD. With its tough build, high ground clearance, and generous approach and departure angles, this vehicle is capable of navigating challenging terrain with ease. Its suspension and chassis have been engineered

to provide a comfortable and controlled ride, even on rough terrain. Additionally, the car's responsive steering and balanced weight distribution make it easy to manoeuvre, giving the driver a high degree of control and confidence. The steering and suspension are tuned to provide smooth handling and an enjoyable driving experience, on the highway or off it.

Just seeing the Thar parked at the stud farm right next to the horses set the right tone for the vehicle and underscored its outdoor lifestyle credentials.

Ending our day at the stud farm with high tea, just by the stables, we sat and reflected on the Thar and shared some details about the price. The Thar has been priced rather attractively. The RWD diesel AX (O) is priced at Rs 9.99 lakh, and the LX diesel at Rs 10.99 lakh, both ex-showroom. The solitary petrol variant, the RWD LX AT, costs Rs 13.49 lakh. Only a hard top configuration is offered for these variants.

The Thar RWD has a lot of potential. Given that the RWD model is more affordable and economical, it makes a lot of sense. Rear-wheel-drive fun, a commanding driving position, and an intimidating road presence are all included. After taking in all this information, we feel sure that there is a new customer for the Mahindra Thar, for the good doctor plans to get herself one in the near future. car

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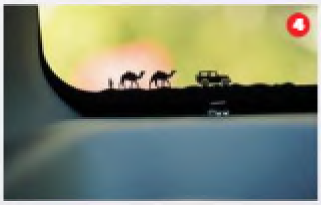

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Kia Carens is the Indian Car of the Year 2023

The Kia Carens has won the coverted title of "Indian Car of the Year 2023". It combines the utility of an MPV, the feel of a hatchback, and the appeal of an SUV

Story: **Kurt Morris**

THE 18TH EDITION OF the Indian Car of the Year (ICOTY) and the Indian Motorcycle of the Year (IMOTY), promoted by JK Tyre since inception along with India's top automotive journalists, was held at a gala event in New Delhi. These awards are the most coveted and prestigious in the Indian automotive industry. Among those present were prominent businessmen, automobile enthusiasts, and visionaries.

The Kia Carens won the Indian Car of the Year (ICOTY) Award. The jury members awarded this MPV the largest number of points. While the Maruti Suzuki Grand Vitara was the first runner-up, the Mahindra Scorpio-N was the second runner-up.

Dr. Raghupati Singhania, Chairman and MD, JK Tyre & Industries, addresses the gathering

Mandatory briefing for the ICOTY jury

The ICOTY, instituted in 2005, is considered the most prestigious award in the Indian automobile industry. The jury comprises subject-matter specialists from the top automotive journals and media outlets and winners are chosen after carrying out a thorough research. Eighteen renowned automotive writers and editors, including *Car India*'s Editor, Aspi Bhathena and Deputy Editor, Jim Gorde, were members of this year's panel.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. Raghupati Singhania, Chairman and Managing Director, JK Tyre & Industries Limited, said, 'I would like to congratulate all the winners for making the best in the segment and honouring the excellence in the automotive industry. ICOTY and IMOTY are the most integral part of the Indian auto industry as they bring innovation to the industry. The foundation of JK Tyre stands for innovation, development, growth, technology, and transparency and these awards are the testimony of brilliance. I am sure it has been a rewarding and successful journey for everyone and this will continue to be so for years ahead. These awards motivate us all to come together and make the Indian auto industry renowned globally.'

These cars are tested by each jury member, who then assign a total of 25 points.Only 10 points can be awarded to each automobile by a jury member; the remaining 25 points will be shared among the five finalists, with one car emerging as the clear winner.

The Maruti Suzuki Grand Vitara and the Mahindra Scorpio-N were beaten by the Kia Carens in the 2023 ICOTY competition. The Hyundai Tucson, Maruti Suzuki Alto K10, Maruti Suzuki Brezza, Škoda Slavia, Toyota Urban Cruiser Hyryder, Citroën C3, and Volkswagen Virtus were among the contenders for ICOTY 2023.

Upon winning the ICOTY and Green Car Award for 2023, Tae-Jin Park, MD and CEO, Kia India, said, 'It's a proud moment for all of us at the Kia family. We are absolutely elated to be awarded not one but two prestigious ICOTY honours. The Kia Carens won the coveted Indian Car of the Year and our flagship EV, the EV6, won the laurel as ICOTY "Green Car of the Year" award for 2023. We are thankful to the esteemed ICOTY jury members for this recognition. We would also like to thank the sponsors, JK Tyre, for their commitment to helping recognise the best from automobiles year on year. This is a well-deserved recognition for the brand Kia and speaks volumes for our technological prowess, capabilities, and understanding of the Indian market. It is a true reflection of our successful journey in India and a great motivation for us to keep working and contributing towards an inspiring tomorrow.'

Points were allotted ahead of history being made

Above: The Kia Carens took home the biggest accolade: the Indian Car of the Year 2023; Tae-Jin Park, MD and CEO, Kia India accepts the trophy from Dr. Raghupati Singhania, Chairman and MD, JK Tyre & Industries

Left: The Premium Car of the Year award went to the made-in-India, all-electric, Mercedes EQS 580—a truly historic moment for EVs; Santosh Iyer, MD and CEO of Mercedes-Benz India accepts the signed certificate from Dr. Singhania

Below: The Kia EV6, with its all-electric powertrain, immense practicality and exciting driving dynamics won the 2023 Green Car Award by ICOTY

The Kia EV6 was named the 2023 Green Car title winner in the ICOTY results. The Tata Tiago EV and the Maruti Suzuki Grand Vitara finished first and second, respectively, for the third Green Car award.

Vehicles costing more than Rs 40 lakh are eligible for the fiercely contested Premium Car of the Year Award. Internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles, including the Audi Q3, Jeep Grand Cherokee, and Range Rover, were in this year's list, along with EVs like the BMW i4 and iX. The all-electric,made-in-India Mercedes EQS 580 was chosen as the Premium Car of the Year 2023.

Auto Expo 2023

The biggest auto exhibition in India, Auto Expo 2023, just ended with a record-breaking attendance of nearly 6.36 lakh people. During the event, 82 vehicles had their debut here in India.

Story: **Kurt Morris** Photography: **Sanjay Raikar, Apurva Ambep**

THE INDIA EXPO MART IN GREATER NOIDA hosted the official opening of Auto Expo 2023 and the public at large was allowed access on 13 January. Over 6.36 lakh people attended the 16th edition of India's premier car show, setting a new attendance record. Additionally, 82 automobiles had their global or Indian début at the event.

Despite the absence of premium car-makers and mass-market two-wheeler manufacturers, the Auto Expo 2023 attracted a large number of visitors. It is important to note that the previous Auto Expo, held in 2020, had attracted 6.08 lakh people.

Along with the Chinese duo, the SAIC-owned MG Motor India and BYD Auto, significant automakers, including Maruti-Suzuki, Hyundai Motor, Tata Motors, Kia, Toyota, and Lexus were present at the Expo.

BYD

The world's largest manufacturer of electric vehicles, BYD (Build Your Dreams), held the début of the Seal sedan, dubbed a competitor to Tesla's Model 3, at the Auto Expo 2023. The car will be formally introduced in India in the fourth quarter of this year and sales will get under way simultaneously, according to the firm.

The Seal's price in the Indian market will also be made public by the end of this year. The car's design is said to be influenced by BYD's "ocean aesthetics" design language.

BYD India also unveiled the Atto 3 Special Edition, priced at Rs 34.49 lakh (ex-showroom). It comes in a special Forest Green exterior paint finish. Only 1,200 units will be available.

BYD Atto 3

BYD Seal

Hyundai

Hyundai IONIQ 5

Actor Shah Rukh Khan revealed the brand-new Hyundai Ioniq 5 EV at the Auto Expo. With his arms outstretched in front of the car, he welcomed the lookers-on as he launched the vehicle in style. The actor has a 25-year-long association with Hyundai and is currently the company's brand ambassador.

The car comes with an introductory price of Rs 44.95 lakh and has a single-charge range of 631 kilometres (ARAI certified). Only the first 500 customers will benefit from the introductory price. After Kona Electric, the IONIQ 5 becomes the second car in India to feature an all-electric drivetrain.

The display of the IONIQ 6 EV sedan at Hyundai's pavilion was noteworthy. The Ioniq 6 was globally announced in June 2022 and was built using the same E-GMP skateboard design as the IONIQ 5. The IONIQ 6 is based on the Prophecy idea and features an aerodynamic silhouette, several sweeping curves, and creases. It has a drag coefficient of 0.21, according to Hyundai.

Hyundai IONIQ 6

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With two show-stopping vehicles, Kia India made their second appearance at the Auto Expo in 2023. The EV9 concept and the new-generation Carnival (named the KA4) took centre stage. The EV9 concept, a sneak peek at a new electric SUV from the company, was on display at Kia India. This concept, which was unveiled to the world last year, will be the company's premier electric vehicle. The E-GMP architecture, shared with the EV6, will serve as the foundation for the new vehicle. Global production of the EV9 prototype is anticipated to begin later this year.

The fourth-generation Carnival was Kia India's second exhibit at the Auto Expo 2023. The model, known as the KA4, is significantly larger and more opulent than the current one. Although Kia have not said anything about the KA4 coming to India, it is likely that the company was testing customer enthusiasm at this biennial automotive event.

The purpose-built Carens, which has also been transformed into an ambulance and a police car, was also on display. In addition to stretchers and oxygen tanks in the ambulance, the MPV receives specific accessories, including sirens, LED displays, and CB radios in the police car.

Kia EV9

Kia Carens Ambulance

Maruti Suzuki

The Maruti Suzuki eVX concept was introduced to kick off the series of unveilings at the Auto Expo. Day two saw the highly anticipated début of the Jimny and the new Fronx based on the Baleno. Maruti also displayed their current line-up with a number of cosmetic updates, besides introducing a CNG variant of the Brezza.

As for the eVX, an electric SUV concept, Maruti Suzuki promise a range of up to 550 km. The company said that it would have a dual-motor powertrain system for 4x4 capability. The production version of this electric concept is all set to arive in 2025

The most awaited Jimny was finally presented at the Expo. It makes a début on a global scale as a five-door vehicle with four-wheel drive as standard. Compared to its three-door form, it strives to be more practical while still being a cute and lightweight car.

Bookings at the company's Nexa dealerships have already got under way. Maruti Suzuki may price the Jimny at Rs 10 lakh (ex-showroom).

Alongside the Jimny, the Fronx, a sub-compact crossover developed on the Baleno platform, was unveiled at the Expo. With its gorgeous look, Maruti's Nexa series gets elevated even further into the premium segment. The 1.0-litre turbo-petrol, which made its début in the discontinued Baleno RS, makes a comeback in the Fronx, alongside the 1.2-litre "K12" four-cylinder engine. Its price reportedly starts from Rs 8 lakh. Bookings are already being accepted.

Maruti Suzuki Fronx

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MG displayed a selection of electric and plug-in hybrid (PHEV) automobiles that are ready for mass production. The company said that all of these models that are all sold in various international markets are being considered for India.

One of the latest models built on MG's new modular architecture is the MG4. Two battery pack options are available for this intimidating electric hatchback, 51 kWh and 64 kWh, which offer a range of up to 350 km and 450 km respectively. The electric motor driving the rear wheels is powered by these battery packs.

The MG5, an electric estate which is a first for India, was also on display. Given that estates are not a preferred option for buyers in this region, it is one of the least probable prospects to be introduced here. With its 61.1-kWh battery pack, it can travel for up to 525 km.

The Marvel R was the most impressive MG electric SUV on display. An all-wheel-drive variant with a tri-motor arrangement that produces 288 hp and 665 Nm is available internationally. The Marvel R is capable of a range of 402 km and a top speed of 200 km/h (WLTP).

The Mifa 9, MG's full-size electric MPV, is larger than a Kia Carnival. Under the SAIC automobile company, one of MG's sibling companies in China sells it with a 90-kWh battery pack. The Mifa 9 comes in three different versions and boasts of a WLTP range of up to 595 km.

A sporty automobile with a plug-in hybrid drivetrain is called the eMG6. It has cutting-edge driver-aid features and can sprint from 0 to 100 km/h in six seconds. Another midsize electric SUV competitor in the manufacturer's international line-up is the MG eRX5. It has an opulent interior and ADAS in a standout body.

The final display by MG was the Euniq 7, a fuel-cell electric vehicle based on hydrogen that is ready for mass production. It has a 6.4-kg hydrogen tank and makes use of MG's PROME P390 third-generation fuel cell technology. This MPV has a range of 605 km and it can be refuelled in three minutes.

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MG Marvel R

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Tata Motors

Tata Avinya Concept

Tata Curvv

Tata Harrier.ev

Tata Sierra.ev

Tata Motors showcased their electric prowess on the opening day of the Auto Expo. The company showcased its concept electric vehicle, Avinya, for the first time.

Along with the CNG versions of the Tata Punch and Tata Altroz, there was also the début of the Tata Harrier.ev and Tata Sierra.ev.

The Expo also featured the Tata Curvv ICE prototype. According to the company, the car will formally be launched in the market in 2024. The Curvv has "the ruggedness and durability of an SUV" and the svelte appearance of a coupé.

Tata Motors also gave us a sneak peek at their concept EV, the Avinya. This concept EV is built using the company's Gen 3 EV architecture.

The Tata Harrier SUV's electric variant was also unveiled at the Expo. The Harrier.ev, which is anticipated to go on sale in 2025, will include a dual electric motor arrangement. For safety, it will include a 360° camera and ADAS (advanced driver assistance system). Once launched, this EV is expected to compete with models including the BYD Atto 3, MG ZS EV, and Mahindra XUV.E8.

Tata Motors unveiled the CNG versions of the Tata Punch and Altroz. The two CNG vehicles will come in 1.2-litre and 1.5-litre diesel engine variations and use twin-cylinder technology. The cost of the CNG versions has not yet been disclosed by the company, though.

The Sierra.ev, which was displayed at the Auto Expo in 2020, was arguably one of Tata Motors' top crowd-pullers at this year's exhibition and it also appears to be getting closer to being production-ready. The first Sierra serves as a major source of inspiration for the electric car. Like the Curvv, the Sierra.ev will probably be available as both an ICE and an EV. The former will be available with Tata's brand-new 1.5-litre, 170-hp, BS6 Phase 2-compliant turbo-petrol engine.

Lastly, the Tata Altroz Racer edition was also on display. The car has black alloy wheels and a roof that is all black. The wing-mirrors are coated glossy black and there is a black hood at the front.

Toyota

EXTREME OFF-ROAD CONCEPT
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Toyota Hilux Extreme Off-road Concept

Toyota Glanza

COROLLA CROSS

Toyota Corolla Cross H2 Concept

BEYOND ZERO ZONE

Toyota Land Cruiser 300

Toyota were quite active, displaying a range of models and cutting-edge technology. Due to the sheer number of products it has to offer, the Japanese automaker was one to look out for during the Expo. The auto industry behemoth is concentrating its efforts on electrification and alternative fuel vehicles, including hydrogen fuel-cell automobiles. There are also some unusual variations of common vehicles, such as the hydrogen-powered Corolla Cross H2 Concept, a hardcore off-road rendition of the Hilux pick-up truck, and the Glanza Sporty Edition with a carbon-fibre body package and matching interior.

The "Cross H2 Concept" test vehicle was displayed at the Expo, with a three-cylinder 1.6-litre turbo engine utilising compressed hydrogen gas as fuel. In general, hydrogen cars only emit water vapour from the exhaust unlike conventional combustion engines. There are two tanks on board to store hydrogen. Power is transferred to the front wheels. A six-speed Intelligent Manual Transmission handles power delivery, which may result in manual gear-shifts without applying the clutch.

The Land Cruiser 300 SUV made an appearance at the Expo. It is equipped with a new 3.3-litre V6 turbo-diesel engine that has a maximum output of 309 hp and 700 Nm of torque. This enormous SUV has a fantastic 230-mm ground clearance, which will let it easily tackle any terrain. This SUV is built on Toyota's lightest and most manoeuvrable TNGA platform. It has been launched at Rs 2.10 crore (ex-showroom).

Toyota's emphasis on sustainable and environment-friendly mobility solutions may be seen in all these offerings. The electrified products include hydrogen fuel cell electric vehicles such as the Mirai, flex-fuel hybrid vehicles, strong hybrids, and even a new range of plug-in hybrid electric vehicles.

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Python Tales

The Porsche Macan's fastest, most potent, and most expensive model is the Gran Turismo Sport. While travelling from Kolkata to Lucknow, we got to properly experience this performance SUV

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Story: **Kurt Morris** Photography: **Apurva Ambep**

WITH THE BUSY CITY OF Kolkata, "'The City of Joy", as our starting point, we set out on an amazing road trip in the sleek and fast Porsche Macan GTS. It was an ideal travel companion as the roads ahead beckoned to us. We were sure to have an exciting adventure as we would drive on some gorgeous routes, taking in breathtaking scenery, in the company of the GTS' potent V6 engine and sharp handling. As we would explore new places, interact with interesting people, and savour their regional food, the trip promised to be full of treasured experiences. So, let's start the engine and prepare for a once-in-a-lifetime trip.

We were on one leg of the Porsche Macan all-India drive. An unforgettable road trip across India in one of the most recognisable and sporty SUVs in the world. The participants in the Porsche Macan all-India drive get to experience the SUV's strength and agility as they take in some of the country's breathtaking vistas and attractive locations. This journey is intended to highlight the Porsche Macan's capabilities and offer the participants an outstanding driving experience. Our stint was from Kolkata to Lucknow.

For those who value the luxury and performance that this sports SUV delivers, picking up and driving the Porsche Macan GTS in Kolkata city itself was an exhilarating experience. The Macan GTS is a well-liked option among sports car enthusiasts and owners of luxury vehicles because of its svelte style, strong engine, and dynamic handling. We were impressed by its excellent external styling when we picked it up in Kolkata. Its bold lines and aggressive embellishments give it a distinctive, athletic appearance. This SUV boasts of a spacious interior with top-notch materials, cutting-edge technology, and supportive seats that are intended to keep the driver in utmost comfort while driving. You'll immediately understand why sports car enthusiasts hold the Porsche Macan GTS in such high regard once you're in the driver's seat.

Its precise and nimble handling, coupled with the strong V6 engine's smooth and quick acceleration, make for a delightful drive on any road. The potent performance and handling

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Sporty proportions and a bold design work well together
KOLKATA TRAFFIC POLICE

On the iconic Howrah bridge

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> Five passengers can be comfortably seated inside this cabin which is finished in high-quality materials

characteristics of this SUV are ideally matched to the city's congested streets and difficult driving conditions, making driving one in Kolkata city a really exhilarating experience. The Macan GTS offers a smooth and comfortable ride and a lot of driving pleasure whether you're cruising down city roads or negotiating its narrow and twisting streets. However, it's crucial to remember that this is a high-performance car and that operating it safely and effectively necessitates a certain amount of driving expertise and experience.

The Porsche Macan GTS is a high-performance luxury SUV. It is part of the Macan line-up and was first introduced in 2015. It would sit between the Macan S and the Macan Turbo in terms of power and performance, but now gets that Turbo-spec engine: a 2.9-litre V6 that produces 440 hp and 550 Nm of torque, allowing it to do 0-100 km/h in just 4.5 seconds. The SUV comes with a seven-speed Porsche *Doppelkupplung* (PDK) dual-clutch transmission that offers quick and smooth shifting. It also features Porsche's Sport Chrono Package, which includes dynamic transmission mounts and launch control for improved acceleration. The Macan GTS has a sporty and aggressive look with distinctive design elements such as black accents, a sport-tuned suspension, and larger air intakes.

Now, this being a long road trip spanning two days, we would spend a lot of time in the cabin of the Macan GTS. Five passengers can be comfortably seated inside this cabin which is finished in high-quality materials, including leather, aluminium, and carbon-fibre. As mentioned earlier, a comfortable and enjoyable driving experience is guaranteed by the supportive and adjustable front seats. The back seats are similarly cosy and have plenty of leg-room.

The GTS has an attractive and contemporary dashboard with a 12.3-inch touchscreen infotainment system that includes a number of amenities such as navigation, Apple CarPlay and Android Auto compatibility, and a high-end sound system. A variety of cutting-edge safety technologies such as adaptive cruise control, rear cross-traffic alert, and blind-spot monitoring are also included. A 360-degree camera and a 14-speaker Bose sound system add to the overall pleasant experience. This high-performance luxury SUV offers a unique blend of performance, comfort, and practicality, making it an attractive option for those who want a sporty and versatile vehicle. For us, the standout ▶

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> The Macan GTS is a delight to drive thanks to its precise handling and finely calibrated suspension

Above: Centre touchscreen offers a slew of information and access to vehicle functions

Left: Cabin is impeccably finished and well-equipped leaving no one wanting

Below: Engaging Sport Chrono package is standard in the Macan GTS

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feature was the green coloured seat-belts which really added to the car's sporty appeal.

The Macan GTS is also a delight to drive on the highway thanks to its precise handling and finely calibrated suspension system. It is swift and confident during lane changes owing to its agility and responsiveness, which made navigating through Kolkata's and Lucknow's congested roads an easy task for us. Large and powerful brakes make it easy to slow down and keep in control, even when travelling at a high speed.

The Python Green Porsche Macan GTS is an eye-catching SUV that attracts attention wherever it goes. It distinguishes itself from the conventional monotone colours of most other luxury vehicles with its striking and distinctive colour. As it passes, people just can't help stopping in their tracks and staring at this wonderful machine. The colour is vivid and bright, expressing the Macan GTS' athletic and adventurous nature. It is unique thanks to the Python Green hue, which gives it a flair and touch of originality.

Our journey from Kolkata to Lucknow was thrilling and unforgettable. The trip was made comfortable and delightful by the car's potent engine, agile handling, and plush cabin. The Porsche Macan GTS delivered a premium driving experience that combined power, comfort, and style during this trip, demonstrating once again that it is a top-performing SUV.

We enthusiastically endorse the Porsche Macan GTS to anyone seeking an exhilarating driving experience and we look forward to many more adventures behind the wheel of this incredible vehicle in the future.

Left: LED light bar accentuates the Macan's curves

Below: A sporty all-rounder that is ready for anything

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Gone Too Soon

Ken Block, the 55-year-old YouTube sensation and American motor sport hero, passed away in a Utah snowmobile accident

Report: **Kurt Morris**

FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF THE AMERICAN RALLY driver, Ken Block, 55, in a snowmobile accident, the motor sport community paid tribute to the courageous stuntman who became an Internet phenomenon.

The late Block gained notoriety through "Hoonigan" for filming exhilarating and perilous YouTube stunt movies that he called "Gymkhanas" in locations such as Los Angeles, Dubai, on a mountain in China, and at an autodrome just outside Paris. "Gymkhanas" are traditionally equestrian competitions that evaluate a horse and rider's ability to manoeuvre through a series of obstacles; in more recent years, they have been transformed into racing competitions that measure a driver's skill and speed.

Block was a founding partner of the skateboarding apparel company, DC Shoes. Another apparel business he owned, Hoonigan Industries, posted a message on Instagram confirming the death of its founder.

Ken Block participated in his first rally, the 2004 Rally of the Tall Pines in Canada, and, by the following year, he was driving a Subaru WRX STi on a full American schedule. He achieved his maiden victory at the Rally in the 100 Acre Wood in 2006. He went on to win that contest five times in a succession until 2010. He would triumph in 23 national rallying competitions over the following 17 seasons.

Block and his co-driver, Alex Gelsomino, earned four victories in a Hyundai i20 built for WRC (World Rally Championship), heading into the last rally of the 2022 ARA National Championship season. For him, the World Rally Championship held an undeniable fascination. His best finish in a Ford Fiesta RS at the 2013 Rally Guanajuato Mexico was seventh. He competed in a total of 25 WRC events.

Block had a noteworthy presence in racing video games in addition to a successful professional racing career. In the live-action parts of Block's "Need for Speed" from 2015, he portrayed himself as the Style Icon the player character tried to impress. Additionally, his Hoonigan cars made their début in "Forza Motorsport 7" and "Forza Horizon" 3, 4, and 5. He also made appearances as a driver in Colin McRae's "Dirt 2" and "Dirt 3".

Block started his rallying career in 2005 and won the Rally America Championship's Rookie of the Year Award. Nothing could dim anyone's enthusiasm, not even the switch to electrification. Block's "Hoonitron", his first video with his new partner, Audi, earned seven million views in just a few months. He was swiftly assuming the role of a social media superstar with his more than eight million Instagram followers and supporters eager to participate in his vehicular chaos.

Along with actor Matt LeBlanc, he appeared on the BBC show, *Top Gear*, for a scene in which they performed tyre burnouts and drifted through London.

Enroute to Timmersain Mahadev temple, Uttarakhand

C.L.A.W's Latest Himalayan Adventure

Team Conquer Land Air and Water (C.L.A.W) undertook and successfully executed yet another motoring expedition and the good news is that there is more to come

Story: **Joshua Varghese**
Photography: **C.L.A.W Global**

Expedition SUVs on the way to Tugasi village with Dunagiri mountain in the background

Convoy heading north

FOLLOWING THE SUCCESS OF Operation Blue Freedom in 2021, C.L.A.W Global joined hands with the Indian Army once again for another motoring adventure: Soul of Steel – Pathfinder Road Expedition to the End of the Roads; an adventure that would excite any petrolhead, particularly an off-road enthusiast.

The expedition began on 14 January 2023 on the occasion of the seventh Armed Forces Veterans' Day with a focus on exploring the off-the-beaten-track, off-road tracks in the border areas of our country, mainly along the Himalayan belt. The event was flagged off by Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh from Dehradun in Uttarakhand.

For the convoy of 15 SUVs and their adventurous drivers from all over the country, Dehradun grew smaller in the rear-view mirror and eventually disappeared from view altogether as they covered 200 kilometres to reach their first overnight halt at Gauhar.

The following day, they set out for village Tugasi near Tapovan. The drive through the mountain landscape was rich in scenic beauty and it also gave the drivers enough time to acclimatize themselves and get used to their cars in this new and unexplored terrain. The third day was reserved for testing their skill and experience on the snow-covered tracks in the high-altitude border areas where the conditions demanded the use of anti-freeze fuel and snow chains. This opened up a new dimension of driving off road and presented the adventurers with a memorable experience. Special locations such as Timmersain Mahadev, Dunagiri viewpoint, and Hanuman Shila were part of the route.

If you are wondering what the experience may have been like, then you are in luck because C.L.A.W have filmed the entire trip and it should be available for public viewing. What is even better is that C.L.A.W have signed a memorandum of understanding with the Indian Army to organise such expeditions for public participation, so that we may look forward to more expeditions along the Uttarakhand-Himalayan belt.

The 460-kilometre-long journey took place in the Greater Himalayas along the snowy tracks of the Niti Valley. A total of 15 SUVs and their adventurous drivers from across the country undertook the challenge and overcame obstacles along the route to reach "Zero Point". Showcasing the off-roading potential that our country's border areas hold was the objective of this inaugural adventure and the team pulled that off to good effect.

The Indian Army's support was crucial as always. Their meticulous planning and quick response times ensured that progress was not only steady but also guaranteed. They prepared the off-roading tracks, arranged security clearances, organised medical back-up, and also extended communication support to the whole team.

Above: (*L-R, foreground*) Major Vivek Jacob, CM of Uttarakhand, Shri Pushkar Singh Dhami, Defence Minister, Shri Rajnath Singh, Indian Army Spokesperson, Col Aman Anand, Lt Gen Yogendra Dimri

The next opportunity for such adventure is the Soul of Steel – Alpine Challenge which is also going to be the world's first Alpine skill and endurance challenge. It involves a combination of specialized mountaineering and survival skills, psychological endurance, and physical toughness. Registration for this event opened on 14 January 2023 and global participation is invited.

Registration Website: https://soulofsteel.claw.global
Contact Number: +91 84894 19585

Expedition team drives from Goting to Dehradun, Uttarakhand

Soul of Steel — Pathfinder Road Expedition culminating at Rishikesh

I HAVE SEEN THE FUTURE...

...but is it all-electric?

The Hyundai IONIQ 5 is an all-electric SUV that raises the bar for comfort, refinement, and quality of experience. How does it feel on Indian roads, though? We drive around south Goa to find out exactly that

Story: **Jim Gorde** Photography: **Hyundai India**

HAVING A GREEN THUMB WAS, IS, and always will be cool. Having a green car is the new perceived "cool". However, as with everything, there are certain reservations. "Green" is a relative term. A truly green car with a zero carbon footprint simply does not exist. However, a significant reduction in the carbon footprint is possible and that is achieved by greener manufacturing processes and sourcing cleaner and more natural or recycled materials. Obtaining energy from renewable and sustainable sources is the greater step. And that is an area where the electric car stands its ground.

A recent study using data from the US of A's fueleconomy.gov suggested that combustion-engine cars are wasteful in that they only use about 40 per cent of the energy from the fuel—at best—and the rest is wasted. Electric cars eliminate several moving parts and frictional middlemen—the red tape, so to speak—and maximize energy efficiency by doing at single-digit revolutions per minute (rpm) what combustion needs several thousand to accomplish. Of course, the counter argument is that mining for rare earth elements, cobalt, nickel, and iron, for example, which are required for the battery cells and the magnet make highly polluting mining procedures necessary to obtain them. Not to mention the human rights violations in Africa for obtaining these materials and, in other cases, the mining trucks with—give or take—90-litre, six-cylinder engines with thousands of horsepower needed to

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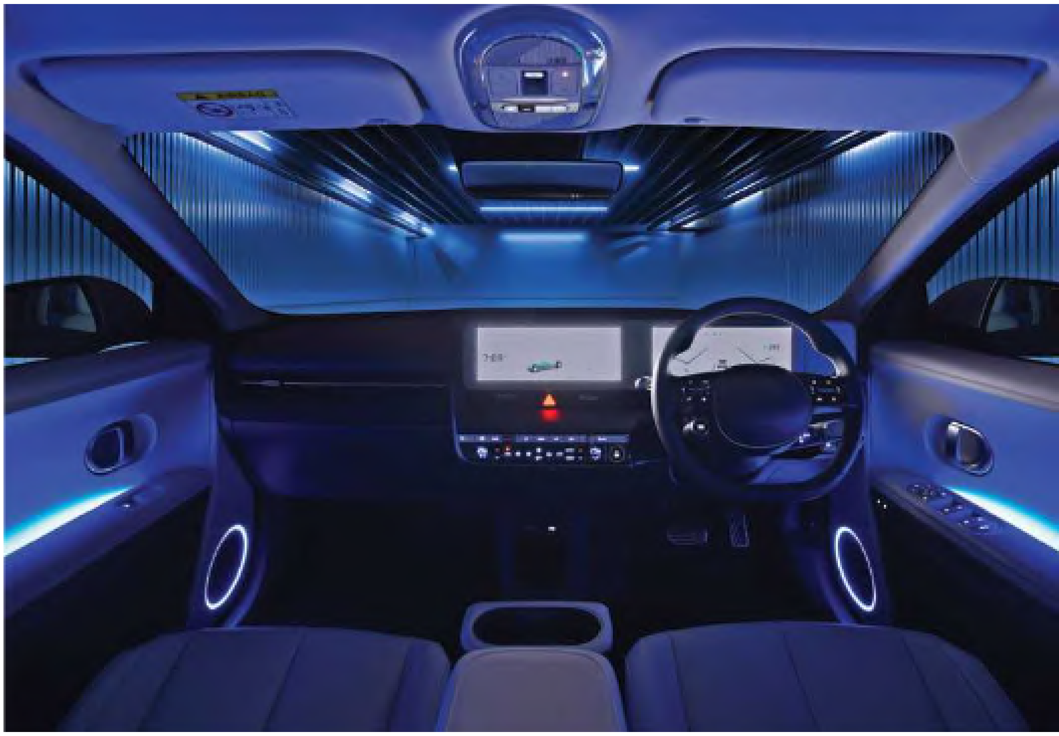
Above: Drive modes alter response and driving characteristics

Right: Ambient lighting offers a wide palette to choose from

Below: Centre touchscreen is 12.3 inches across and has all the apps one would need

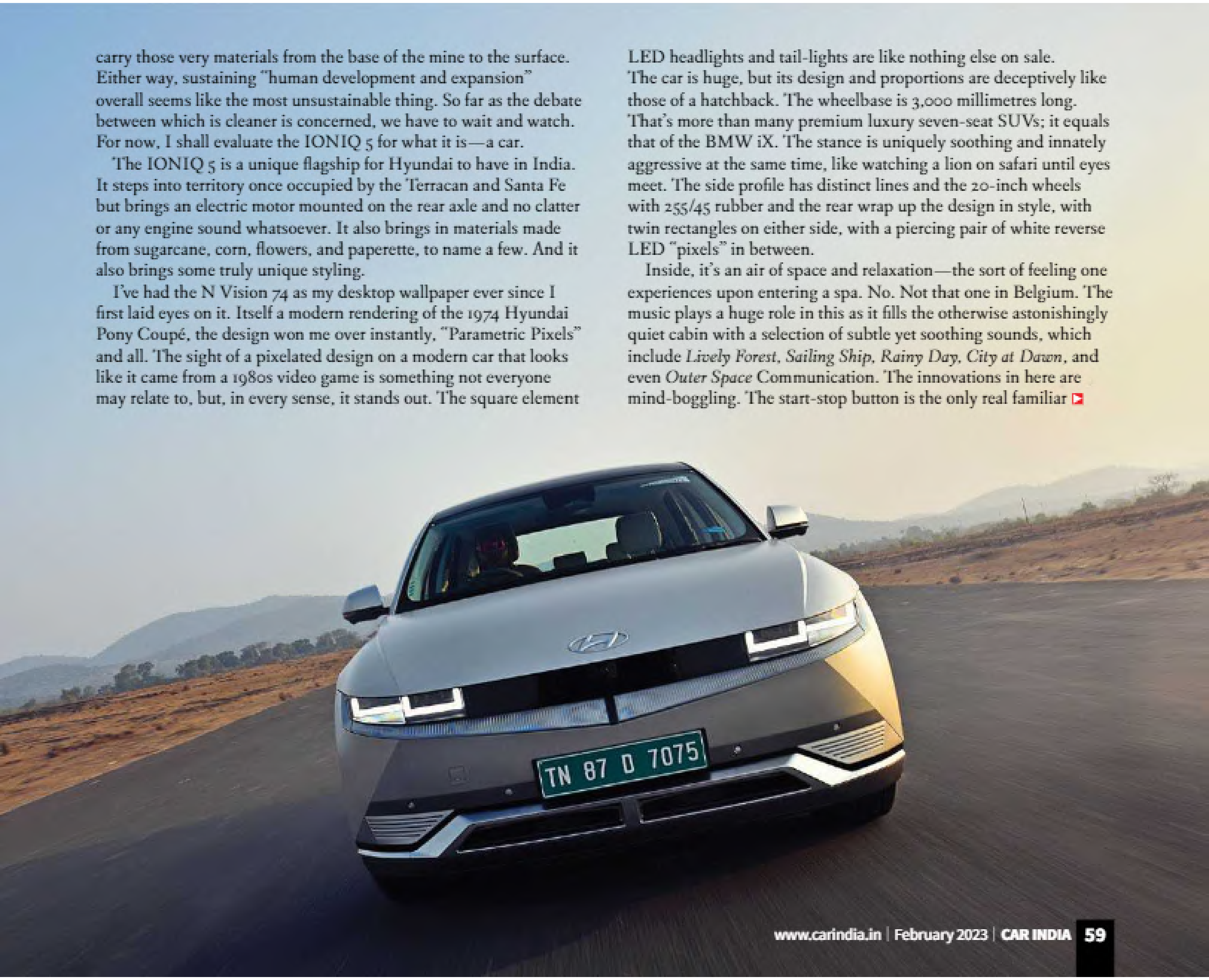


carry those very materials from the base of the mine to the surface. Either way, sustaining "human development and expansion" overall seems like the most unsustainable thing. So far as the debate between which is cleaner is concerned, we have to wait and watch. For now, I shall evaluate the IONIQ 5 for what it is—a car.

The IONIQ 5 is a unique flagship for Hyundai to have in India. It steps into territory once occupied by the Terracan and Santa Fe but brings an electric motor mounted on the rear axle and no clatter or any engine sound whatsoever. It also brings in materials made from sugarcane, corn, flowers, and paperette, to name a few. And it also brings some truly unique styling.

I've had the N Vision 74 as my desktop wallpaper ever since I first laid eyes on it. Itself a modern rendering of the 1974 Hyundai Pony Coupé, the design won me over instantly, "Parametric Pixels" and all. The sight of a pixelated design on a modern car that looks like it came from a 1980s video game is something not everyone may relate to, but, in every sense, it stands out. The square element LED headlights and tail-lights are like nothing else on sale. The car is huge, but its design and proportions are deceptively like those of a hatchback. The wheelbase is 3,000 millimetres long. That's more than many premium luxury seven-seat SUVs; it equals that of the BMW iX. The stance is uniquely soothing and innately aggressive at the same time, like watching a lion on safari until eyes meet. The side profile has distinct lines and the 20-inch wheels with 255/45 rubber and the rear wrap up the design in style, with twin rectangles on either side, with a piercing pair of white reverse LED "pixels" in between.

Inside, it's an air of space and relaxation—the sort of feeling one experiences upon entering a spa. No. Not that one in Belgium. The music plays a huge role in this as it fills the otherwise astonishingly quiet cabin with a selection of subtle yet soothing sounds, which include *Lively Forest*, *Sailing Ship*, *Rainy Day*, *City at Dawn*, and even *Outer Space* Communication. The innovations in here are mind-boggling. The start-stop button is the only real familiar ◘



Above: "Frunk" offers 57 litres of storage volume

> **The Hyundai IONIQ 5 is a welcome surprise in the sub-Rs-50-lakh segment and brings some features unheard of here**

element. Push it and theatrical ambient sounds enliven the senses. The twin 12.3-inch displays come alive as one seamless beam. The drive selector is a circular flick knob. Behind it is a magnetic dashboard—and I mean that literally. The door-pockets are huge. The centre arm-rest is part of a sliding unit and holds a wireless charger for smartphones. There is an open storage for larger items.

The floor is flat and evenly spacious. The boot has a generous 527 litres with an additional 57-litre "frunk". Plus, there is the V2L (vehicle-to-load) tech that supplies up to 3.6 kW for powering anything from appliances to instruments or even juicing up another EV. There is an abundance of unique elements with some truly outstanding quality of materials used.

Rs 44.95 lakh—that's the ex-showroom price for early bird buyers. Although 650 bookings have already been addressed, expect something around Rs 46-47 lakh if you ask as you read this... At that price, the space, comfort, quality of finish, and overall attention to detail exceed that of many premium luxury German sedans and SUVs costing Rs 10-20 lakh more. Speaking of a Rs 20-lakh difference, that's exactly how much the IONIQ 5 is below its Korean cousin, the Kia EV6 GT-Line AWD. Of course, while that is also based on this E-GMP (Electric Global Modular Platform), it is fully imported and packs two motors. The IONIQ 5 is assembled here and brings just one rear motor.

On the rear axle sits a 160-kW (Hyundai say 217-hp) electric motor with 350 Nm of torque. It is powered by 800-volt architecture and a 679-volt 72.6-kWh battery pack which allows an ARAI-rated range of 631 kilometres. That translates into about

Left: "Parametric Pixel" 20-inch wheels

Left: Two-way socket supports a load of up to 3.6 kW; supports AC and DC charging up to 350 kW

8.7 km/kWh—achievable in certain circumstances, I presume. I saw about 4.0 km/kWh and just about 400 km when I got the car to myself with 84 per cent charge remaining, so go figure. Again, more downhill driving means less accelerator pedal, more regeneration, and greater range. More uphill driving means the opposite is true. And it also matters if it's hot, warm, cool or cold. Too many variables!

The Hyundai IONIQ 5 has a sublime ride quality. The battery pack is in the floor and that means a low centre of gravity and a planted feel, lending it reassuring, yes, but also sharp and agile handling characteristics. It feels predictable and honest at high double-digit speeds. It accelerates quickly off the line for a two-tonne car within a claimed 7.6 seconds from naught to 100 km/h; don't ask for the top speed. The suspension is a strut set-up at the front and a five-link one rear. Ground clearance is 163 millimetres laden and a bit more with just one or two occupants.

The safety systems are high up there and they all work well. There are over 60 active and passive safety features, 21 of which are advanced "SmartSense" sensor-based systems. The smart cruise control works well, with stop-and-go up to 180 km/h, aided by distance alert, collision alert, steering assist, and many more features.

Overall, the Hyundai IONIQ 5 is a welcome surprise in the sub-Rs-50-lakh segment and brings some features unheard of here. In terms of sheer quality, refinement, technology, and attention-to-detail, it has no equals in the price range it is offered at. Hyundai offer a pair of home wallbox chargers, too, both 3.3-kWh and 11-kWh. DC charging (at 350 kW) takes just 18 minutes from 10 to 80 per cent state of charge. If you have been on the fence about getting an electric car regardless of the lacklustre prevalent infrastructure, the Hyundai IONIQ 5 is a safe bet indeed.

Hyundai IONIQ 5 72 RWD

Price: Rs 44.95 lakh (ex-showroom)
Battery Pack: 679-volt, 72.6-kWh, lithium-ion
Electric Motor: Permanent magnet, synchronous, 160-kW
Max Output: 217 hp, 350 Nm
Transmission: Single-speed, automatic, rear-wheel drive
Suspension: MacPherson strut front, five-link rear
Weight: 1,990 kg

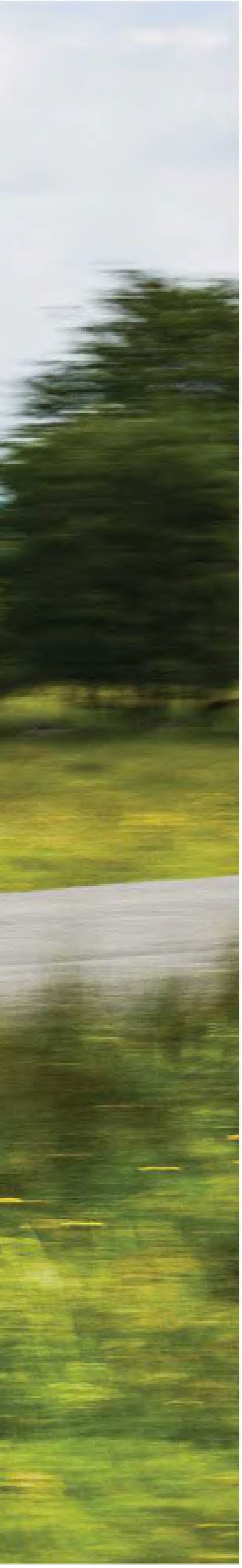
Right: Controls for the rear occupants for easier front seat positioning

Right: Large 527-litre boot offers generous room; can be expanded to 1,587 litres

Right: Standard outlet, capable of delivering 250 volts at 16 amps, is enough for most household items or a laptop

Above: "Vision Roof" is one huge plane of uninterrupted glass with split sun-blinds

Same spirit as the 3 Wheeler, but different in every detail



The Anti–supercar

But with its new engine and new body, it is definitely super

Story: **Chris Chilton**

THE PREVIOUS MORGAN THREE-wheeler was a driver's machine you did not have to drive at Mach 3 to enjoy and that made it a real breath of fresh air. Sadly, an inability to get its emissions close enough to fresh air killed off the bike-engined machine, called simply the 3 Wheeler, last year. Do not waste too many tears, though, as this all-new one, the Super 3, is miles better.

No, it does not look quite as mad without an S&S V-twin strapped across the nose, but the jet-age styling is far more sophisticated, as is the substance beneath. The old steel chassis and tin bathtub that passed for a body have been replaced by an aluminium monocoque with super-formed aluminium panels, the ancient sliding-pillar suspension makes way for double wishbones, and you get wider (relatively, we are talking 130/90 R20) tyres up front wrapped around stylish disc-style wheels rather than wire rims.

Morgan's revelation that it was replacing the bike motor with a Ford car engine made for the Indian market did not exactly have us salivating. I mean, it would be like making an electric Ferrari, right? But it is a masterful swap. There are no turbos to dull the throttle response or induction noise of the 1.5-litre triple and with 118 hp and 149 Nm of torque (versus about 90 hp and just over 135 Nm for the lighter V-twin) it is plenty potent given the 635 kilograms of kerb weight.

Morgan says zero to 100 km/h takes around 7.0 seconds, although it feels much quicker, and we did not try to verify the claimed 210-km/h top end: by 130 km/h things are more than exciting enough and, handily, given UK speed limits, 80 to 100 km/h is actually its optimum cruising speed.

The updated suspension copes much better with bumps than before and there is significantly more grip from the front end, which you get to feel through the beautifully direct and tactile steering. One quirk, though, is that roundabouts and sharp right turns are awkward because you cannot bring your right elbow, which is draped over the side, in front of you as you spin the wheel. Overall, it is still a vintage experience and one characterised by rattles and bangs on rutted roads, plus a whine from the rear bevel box, but things are definitely more polished this time around.

> “We did not try to verify the claimed 210-km/h top end, because by 130 km/h it is more than exciting enough

Above: Modest triple shines in lightweight Morgan

Morgan Super 3

Price: £41,995 (Rs 42 lakh) (£51,824 = Rs 51.82 lakh, as tested)
Powertrain: 1,432 cc 12v three-cylinder, five-speed manual, rear-wheel drive
Performance: 118 hp at 6,500 rpm, 149 Nm at 4,500 rpm, 7.0 seconds 0-100 km/h (estimated), 210 km/h (claimed)
Efficiency: 14.16 km/l, 130 g/km CO_2
Weight: 635 kg

As they are inside. The cabin is longer and wider to make it more comfortable and the quality is on a different level. There is no convertible roof, only a tonneau to attach when parked to prevent the Super 3 becoming an aluminium pond. But the upholstery (choose from treated leather or smart technical fabrics), the toggle switches and the fabulous Cold War-style digital instruments are all weather-sealed. And, despite the limited weather protection, Morgan discovered that owners of the last car drove them far further than anyone in the factory could have imagined, so the new one has a luggage area beneath the rear lid and attachments on the side for bungees and panniers.

Losing the bike engine could have been a disaster, at a stroke spoiling the best thing about the Super 3. But the new car is so comprehensively better in every respect that it barely matters.

Révolution

After the C5 Aircross, Citroën India impinged upon the other end of the market with the C3. Now they aspire to contribute significantly to India's electric vehicle (EV) revolution with the ëC3

Story: **Joshua Varghese**
Photography: **Sanjay Raikar**

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EXPECTATIONS OF A HIGH ACHIEVER are always astronomical. Their prowess in the past encourages one to expect the world of them in the present. Personally, I was looking forward to driving the ëC3 because it came from a manufacturer who has won multiple World Rally Championship (WRC) championships, introduced an innovative suspension system, and given us groundbreaking cars, including the Traction Avant, DS, and the iconic 2CV. A portfolio that currently includes the flagship C5 Aircross SUV and the C3 now shows the addition of the electric version of the latter, the ëC3, just six months after the launch of its internal combustion engine (ICE) sibling.

The C3 platform was developed for both ICE and battery electric vehicle (BEV) models and, therefore, the ëC3 is almost identical to the C3. In the absence of the badge and the green number-plates, telling them apart would be a tough task. For a car that is only 3,981-millimetres long, the Citroën designers have created a chic and modern exterior that holds at least one element of interest, regardless of which angle you choose to behold it from. The new Citroën logo blends into the chrome strips at the front while the contrast colour for the fog-lamp recesses add to the visual drama.

The designers' play with the contrast continues in a small but noticeable way for the profile, also thanks to a splash of colour on the front doors' cladding. Similar treatment has been given for the rear as well, though, in comparison, it appears to be this car's least attractive angle. The car we drove also had a youthful dual-tone treatment that I appreciated but if that is not your fancy, Citroën offer up to three accessory packs and 47 customization options to choose from.

The interior has also benefited from the designers' imagination and affinity for colour, but mostly for the front row. In our car, the greyish-black dashboard had a bright strip of orange that ran the width of the cabin. In the middle is a 10.2-inch touchscreen that offers the latest in smartphone connectivity, including the convenient wireless Android Auto and Apple CarPlay, a feature not available even in some cars above this segment. Other nice details about the cabin include the funky air-conditioner vents, complementing floor-mats and two USB ports for the rear passengers. While there are no soft-touch premium materials to highlight, the quality of plastic feels robust and durable. With one-touch power windows on offer, the lack of electrically adjustable mirrors (even in the top model) feels like an omission. Similarly, it would have been great if the instrument cluster were a more detailed unit. The display looks primitive next to the colourful infotainment screen and relays only the essentials, which is manageable; but it would have been better if the default screen had a percentage readout for the state of battery charge. Detailed statistics and reports will be available in the car's dedicated smartphone app, though. ▶

For a car this size, the ëC3's use of space is quite clever and the fabric upholstery offers fairly comfortable seating. Even the second row is quite spacious but the floor is a bit higher than the C3's due to this car's battery placement. That deprives the tall passengers of thigh support. With the battery in the floor, Citroën could afford to leave the boot intact and even the ëC3 offers the same 315-litre boot volume, including the spare wheel. Furthermore, the rear seat folds flat for more space, if needed.

The ëC3's power is supplied by a 29.2-kWh, air-cooled, LFP (lithium ferrous phosphate) battery pack. Citroën promise a range of 320 kilometres from a single charge, but we did not get a chance to verify it. They also claim that the car charges from 10 to 100 per cent using a 15A outlet in 10.5 hours while fast-charging from 10 to 80 per cent takes 57 minutes.

There are two drive modes on offer: Standard and Eco. It was with the former that my drive experience on the test-track got under way. One of the first things that impressed me was the line of sight from the driver's seat. One can see the ends of the car clearly and that should make the ëC3 popular among new drivers and those who live in crowded cities. The 57 hp of power and 143 Nm of torque produced by the motor are sent to the front wheels. The throttle response is linear and the power delivery is smooth, making this a friendly car to drive. Similarly, the steering is also easy to use but one did wish for greater feedback at times. With the pedal to the floor, the ëC3 achieved the claimed 107 km/h (indicated) and felt planted at that speed with no cause for worry. The car's low centre of gravity allowed me to take corners at a decent clip with confidence. However, the fun in a straight line is limited because the ëC3 takes a claimed 6.8 seconds to accelerate from 0 to 60 km/h.

The suspension is, of course, one of Citroën's strengths but our experience was limited to the straights and corners of the smooth test-track. The set-up offered a plush ride quality worthy of the manufacturer's reputation and it holds great promise in the real world too. Regenerative braking is already at work when one takes the foot off the accelerator but for faster deceleration, the ëC3 relies on disc brakes at the front and drum units at the rear. Airbags are available for driver and passenger; however, at the time of going to press, we were unable to source any information about the C3 or the ëC3's GNCAP safety ratings.

The motor makes a modest 57 hp; enough for city duty

The ëC3 is Citroën's ticket to the big league because they are determined to be among the first runners for the most accessible electric car. There are a considerable number of people sitting on the fence who are ready to pick up a small electric car for everyday use and, given the right motivation, they could be converted into buyers. Taking that into consideration, it is unfortunate that we did not get to drive the ëC3 in the environment where it is supposed to perform and so evaluate it better. However, we look forward to that opportunity soon. So far as first impressions go, the overall experience of our time with the ëC3 was positive.

As mentioned earlier, there are a few things that need improvement but none of them is grave enough to overshadow the potential of this car. The Tata Tiago.ev appears to be this car's main rival at the moment but its head-on competition would be an electric Tata Punch (not launched yet). If priced right, this compact hatchback could easily be among the first options for a new electric car-buyer or even someone's first car ever. We expect it to be priced between Rs 9-12 lakh and, no, not introductory pricing.

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Citroën ëC3 Feel

Price: Rs 9-13 lakh (estimated)
Battery Pack: Lithium Iron Phosphate, 29.2 kWh
Electric Motor: Permanent magnet, synchronous, 42 kW
Max Power: 57 hp
Max Torque: 143 Nm
Transmission: Single-speed, automatic, front-wheel drive
Suspension: MacPherson strut front, twist beam rear
Weight: 1,316 kg

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With the right choice of colour, the Citroën's cabin is nice and vibrant

Driver's display is too basic

Infotainment is laid out well and easy to use

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'We have one more launch in 2023, followed by another one in 2024'

During the first drive of the Citroën ëC3, we caught up with **Saurabh Vatsa**, Citroën Brand Head, India. Here are the excerpts

Interviewed by: **Joshua Varghese** Photography: **Sanjay Raikar**

Citroën have been in India for a few years now. Based on the roadmap for the brand, are Citroën India where they expected to be?

I think Citroën are moving one step at a time and that is how we configured the entry of the brand into the market. We came in 2021, launched the Citroën brand, and brought the C5 Aircross SUV as the flagship product from the house of Citroën. The idea was to bring it in, establish the brand, and then get into the smart car platform launches. The year 2022 saw the C3 being launched in India and I would say it has been fairly well accepted and we are ramping up our network as well while the volumes are growing.

Customers are adopting Citroën in a very strong fashion, I would say, and from being one of the later entrants in the Indian market, we are moving to electrics where we will become a key player because we are one of the first ones with the B-hatch electrification. The ëC3 is the first B-hatch which is getting electrified and obviously it comes with its own SUV form factor. That tells you we are doing the right things one step at a time. In 2019 we unveiled the brand and, in 2020, we started powertrain exports. Usually, OEMs bring in powertrain development and localisation much later but we started with that. We have got three factories, two R&D hubs, and two software hubs in India. We are here with a significant investment and we are growing one step at a time.

First, the C5 Aircross, then the C3, and now the ëC3. Will you continue with the SUV line-up or will you be bringing other cars as well?

It is a little premature to share the exciting stuff that is in the pipeline, but you will see another new car from Citroën very soon. We will give you another chance to interact with us and show you one more new car but, yes, we are going to cater to what the market is looking for.

Is one more launch in the offing for 2024?

We have one more launch in 2023 followed by another one in 2024 and like we said, one new car every year. The ëC3 is an electrification of the C3 so the new car for 2023 is yet to be launched. We are living up to our promise. car

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'Aiming for leadership in the SUV segment'

Shashank Srivastava, Senior Executive Officer (Marketing and Sales), Maruti Suzuki India Limited, talks about the transition towards the SUV segment by the masses and the renewed focus on this segment by the company. Here are the excerpts

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MARUTI SUZUKI stole the spotlight at the recent Auto Expo by showing not one but two new SUV models and an all-electric concept, the eVX. These are exciting new products which form a part of a master plan to achieve 50 per cent market share in the burgeoning SUV segment.

Indian automobile industry transformation: a thriving SUV market

The Indian automobile industry is undergoing a massive transformation with a shift in consumer preference from traditional hatchbacks to sport utility vehicles (SUV). The SUV segment has now become the largest selling vehicle body type in the Indian market, attracting customers with a bouquet of choices from multiple SUV models across different price brackets.

Why are SUVs becoming the top choice for Indian customers?

The rapidly growing popularity of SUVs can be attributed to a few key factors, including their design, features, and affordability. The upright stance, higher seating, and improved visibility of SUVs make them a suitable choice for driving in Indian conditions. The rapid pace of urbanization, economic development, and lifestyle changes have also contributed to the increased demand for SUVs.

Decoding the rise of the SUV segment

The introduction of new models in the SUV segment, particularly in the entry-level sub-Rs 10 lakh range, has attracted a lot of first-time buyers. Additionally, the availability of new SUV models at price points that overlap with premium hatchbacks and compact sedans, combined with rising disposable incomes, has made SUVs more accessible and affordable for Indian consumers.

Maruti Suzuki's SUV roadmap

In 2016, the SUV segment accounted for only 16 per cent of the Indian automobile market. Fast forward to FY 2022 and SUVs now account for 42 per cent of the total passenger vehicle sales in India. Maruti Suzuki, who dominate the non-SUV segment with over 65 per cent market share, have recognized the potential of the rapidly growing SUV market and have taken steps to achieve a leadership position. In 2016, Maruti Suzuki launched the Brezza, which has dominated the Indian roads and become the market leader in the compact SUV segment, accounting for approximately 20 per cent of the market share.

In 2022, Maruti Suzuki launched the all-new Brezza in the compact SUV segment and the Grand Vitara in the mid-size SUV segment to meet the growing demand for technologically advanced and feature-rich SUVs. Both these SUVs have received a resounding customer response and it has boosted Maruti Suzuki's market share in the SUV segment to 15 per cent.

The Auto Expo 2023 saw the unveiling of two new SUVs from Maruti Suzuki: the Jimny and the all-new Fronx. These robust vehicles, along with the all-new Brezza and Grand Vitara, form Maruti Suzuki's line-up of SUVs aimed at establishing a stronger presence in the segment and capturing a 50 per cent market share. This line-up will not only cater to changing customer preferences but also consolidate Maruti Suzuki's stance in the SUV market.

We are confident that with this strong SUV line-up, we will be the leader in SUV market in FY 2023-24 and continue to offer the "Joy of Mobility" to our ever-evolving customers.

‘We currently command 85 per cent of the market share in EV industry’

We got an opportunity to talk to **Shailesh Chandra**, Managing Director, Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles Limited and Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Limited, on the sidelines of the Auto Expo

Interviewed by: **Kurt Morris**

Tata Motors have rolled out multiple concept vehicles for the 2023 Auto Expo. What was the strategy for this?

The megatrends around safety, connectivity, and sustainability are changing the automotive industry that we know today. New-age customers are looking for cars that offer enhanced performance and fuel efficiency and are environmentally friendly. To comprehensively address upcoming trends and emerging customer needs, we showcased 12 vehicles and concepts (a combination of ICE and EV) at the Auto Expo 2023. All our showcases were either production-ready or very close to the production version.

Tata Motors now have a majority market share in electric vehicle sales. What are the steps that Tata Motors will take to enhance it?

We currently command 85 per cent of the market share in the EV industry. With the advent of competition, the market share might take a hit but our focus will be to increase sales exponentially. Towards this, we are simultaneously working on enhancing our current offerings as well as offering customers an array of choices, some of which were exhibited at the Expo. Going forward, we have already announced the launch of 10 EVs in different product segments, body styles, and affordability levels by 2025. The wide-ranging portfolio will help us main to maintain leadership.

The Sierra EV concept was the showstopper at the Auto Expo. What is the road-map for this EV going forward?

The Sierra EV displayed at the Auto Expo is the production-intended version. The car will be based on our Gen 2 architecture and will bring in all the benefits of the proven Ziptron architecture along with compact exterior dimensions, combined with a roomy and spacious interior. We are working towards launching the Sierra EV by 2025.

Tata Motors showcased the Harrier EV. After the success of the Nexon EV, what are your hopes for this full-size electric SUV?

The Harrier has always been an accomplished product with a strong pedigree of Jaguar-Land Rover's D8 platform. It has been a top runner in the highly contested High SUV segment due to its strong fundamentals of performance, ride and handling, reliability, and safety.

Evolving customers are looking for an innovative product which will offer the latest design and features in line with current trends and, at the same time, reflect their bold and daring attitude. With the Harrier EV, we have created an EV concept which will resonate with the new-age customers' needs. The intention of the Harrier EV concept is to take the Harrier's fundamentals to higher levels, thus providing a superlative experience for customers to "Go EV" in the high SUV segment. The Harrier EV will appeal to new-age progressive customers who are bold and confident and consider the SUV as an extension of their personality as well as a symbol of a premium lifestyle.

The Harrier EV show car displayed at the Auto Expo is a close-to-production concept and is expected to be launched in 2024.

You also had the Curvv concept on display and stated that it would be powered by an ICE engine. Could you elaborate on that?

We expect the SUV market to get further segmented and, therefore, we are expanding our SUV range with new body-styles. When we unveiled the Curvv, a brand-new SUV in the mid-size SUV segment in 2022, we announced the intention of selling the car in multiple powertrain options.

At the Auto Expo, we unveiled the Curvv in its ICE avatar, offering a fresh and premium design to customers. Powered by the 1.2-litre TGDi engine, the Curvv will cater to the customers with an individualistic personality, someone who truly appreciates elegance, performance, and practicality.

The new Dark Editions of the Safari and the Harrier have been unveiled. Can you tell us more about these products?

In line with our New Forever brand philosophy, we first introduced the #Dark in 2019 with the Harrier, which was later extended to multiple nameplates in a phased manner owing to its popularity. This intervention also helped us expand our customer base and add to overall sales.

To make this proposition more interesting for those customers who like to express their personality and exhibit power and dominance, we showcased the Harrier and Safari in their all-new "#Dark" (read as Red #Dark) avatar at the Auto Expo. The intervention offers unique enhancements in design which enhances these SUVs' appeal, making them more premium and magnetic. Key design elements include Oberon Black body colour with Zircon red accents in the exteriors along with a Carnelian Red Interior theme. Coupled with these design enhancements, these two SUVs will also come with a host of new exclusive features that render them a notch above all others in the segment.

What may we expect from Tata Motors during the rest of 2023?

We expect 2023 to be an exciting year when we will focus on carrying forward our growth momentum through interesting product launches. You may expect the introduction of iCNG avatars of the Altroz and Punch to disrupt the CNG segment with its revolutionary twin-cylinder CNG technology and a comfortable drive experience. This year will also witness various interesting variant introductions to keep our portfolio New Forever, including the new #Dark (read as Red #Dark) editions of the Harrier and Safari. In addition, you will also witness the launch of new exciting EV offerings.

Lastly, a few words about Tata Motors' EV strategy in terms of the brand going fully carbon-neutral.

The shift towards sustainable mobility is irreversible and Tata Motors want to be among the leaders of green mobility globally to support our aim of becoming carbon-neutral by 2040. Our target is to increase EV contribution in our portfolio to 25 per cent in five years and reach 50 per cent by 2030.

Limo Stance

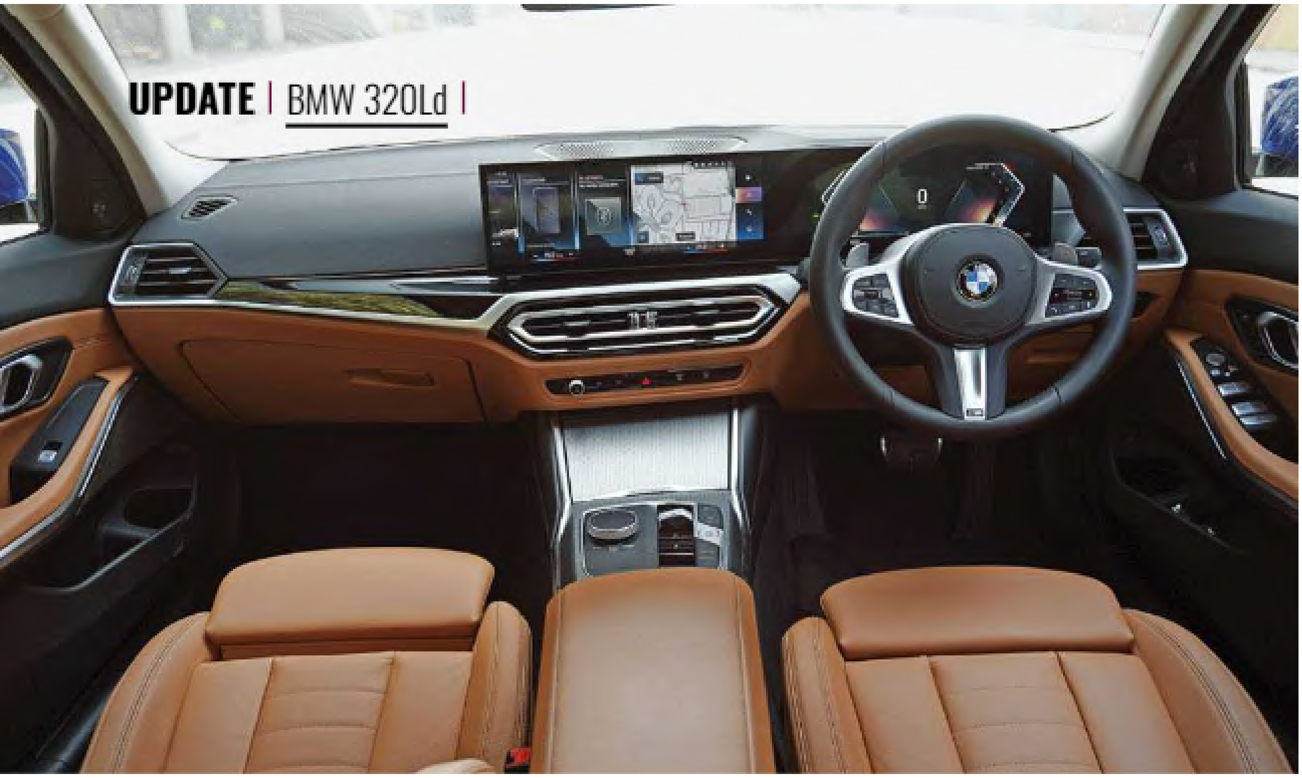
While the powertrain options for the 2023 BMW 3 Series Gran Limousine get carried over from the previous model, the design and interior have undergone significant improvements

Story: **Kurt Morris** Photography: **Apurva Ambep**

LAUNCHED IN THE COUNTRY THIS year, the BMW 3 Series Gran Limousine is imported via the completely knocked down (CKD) route and will be locally assembled at the company's production facility in Chennai. Like the previous model, the Gran Limousine is available in both petrol and diesel versions. This car is offered only in the BMW 330Li M Sport and BMW 320Ld M Sport trim levels, priced (ex-showroom) at Rs 57.90 lakh and Rs 59.50 lakh respectively.

The 3 Series has always been a strong model in terms of sales for BMW. Now the wheelbase of the 2023 BMW 3 Series Gran Limousine has been increased by 110 millimetres above the standard model, making it the longest vehicle in its class. As a result, it measures 4,823 mm. This definitely appeals to our Indian buyers who tend to prefer the rear seats and be chauffeured around in rush-hour traffic.

The elongated body, which, as mentioned earlier, now measures 4,823 mm overall thanks to the 110-mm increase in its wheelbase, is the most noticeable visual change. For the most part, the general design is still reminiscent of the standard wheelbase 3 Series. The striking and dynamic design of the new BMW 3 Series Gran Limousine is highlighted by the chrome-double bars on the BMW Kidney Grille. With clear outlines and daytime lights placed in an inverted "L" form to produce a unified and contemporary image, the standard full-LED headlights are now significantly thinner. The components of the outer daytime running lights also turn signals. The long wheelbase and low-slung sedan body, along with the slight design modifications, make it possibly the sportiest looking limousine in the market. Particularly attractive in this Portimão blue. M Sport bumpers include big air dams and black inlays that give them a sporty and cool appearance. ◘



Above: Smart new curved display is clearly futuristic

Below: New drive selector for the by-wire shifter

The M Sport package, which includes a bigger central air intake, a somewhat angular bumper, and 18-inch alloy wheels with staggered tyre configuration, is standard across the entire range, including the 330Li petrol and the 320Ld diesel. The rear tyres are substantially wider and have a somewhat lower profile at 255/40 than the ones up front, which are 225 section 45 profile. These are Michelin tyres and one must say that they offer plenty of traction.

BMW have also increased the padding foam on the seats, which are upholstered in Vernasca leather and make a beautiful as well as comfortable statement, especially on extended trips. There are two Type-C charging outlets in addition to a-c vents and controls.

Given what the Gran Limousine is based on, it shouldn't come as a surprise that everything inside is taken directly from the regular 3 Series. Unexpectedly, BMW have made a lot of subtle but substantial improvements in this cabin's appearance and we would have to place BMW interiors at the top of the list among the current generation of German automobiles.

The Gran Limousine now has an eight-speed automatic transmission, which is the other significant physical design change. The old car had a stubby gear lever. The vital iDrive is powered by BMW's most recent Operating System 8, which, I may say, is more user-friendly than the previous version.

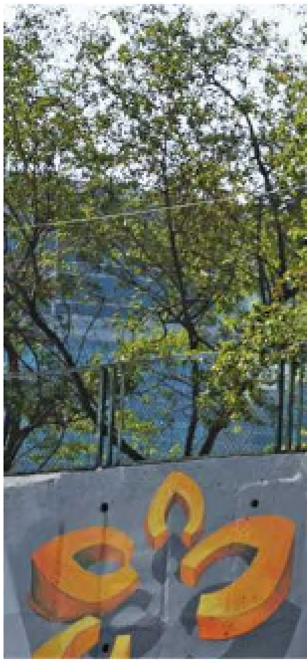
The inside features enhanced leg-room, a curved display that runs on BMW Operating System 8, a 12.3-inch digital instrument cluster, and a 14.9-inch Control Display. Additionally, this car comes equipped with a 16-speaker Harmon Kardon audio system, wireless Android Auto and Apple CarPlay, wireless phone charger, BMW Intelligent Personal Assistant, and more. When you are seated in the car, the only visible change that catches your eye is the new digital displays.

Six airbags, attentiveness assistance, dynamic stability control (DSC), cornering brake control (CBC), an automatic parking brake, side-impact protection, an electronic vehicle immobiliser, and ISOFIX child seat mounting are all included in the safety kit.

The BMW 320Ld is a powerful sedan with a 2.0-litre turbo-diesel engine. The four-cylinder diesel engine generates 190 hp at 4,000 rpm and a maximum torque of 400 Nm between 1,750–2,500 rpm. The sprint from 0 to 100 km/h takes 7.6 seconds. The eight-speed automatic transmission shifts smoothly and facilitates seamless gear-changes.

Now, what was the real standout for us in terms of performance was the incredible fuel efficiency of this 3 Series. On our usual test route in the city we saw an average of 15 km/l and as we did a highway run we saw about 21 km/l. This is incredible for a premium luxury sedan of this size.

The Gran Limousine has added a level of calmness to the BMW 3 Series driving experience which was previously recognised for being a very engaging car to



drive swiftly. It rides well, is comfortable to drive, and makes an excellent city car. When driven vigorously, it responds very well, with good corner stability and enough engine power to keep things interesting. But this car won't reward you if driven too forcefully. When entering a corner at high speed, the 50:50 weight distribution is effective and one never feels as though the car won't be able to get through. The car maintains its position on bumpy roads without breaking a sweat thanks to the firmer suspension. Even bigger potholes than what we're used to are handled well.

After all, it's a long-wheelbase luxury sedan in a country where people still prefer sedans with roomy rear seats. The 3 Series became a bestseller for BMW in India because of a foolproof formula that has worked for them. One of the segment's most useful vehicles is still the BMW 3 Series Gran Limousine. Only the extended wheelbase and M Sport versions of the 3 Series Gran Limousine are currently offered. We will have to wait and see if, like the previous model, this 3 Series becomes a hit in a market that has shifted to SUVs.

Right: Sharp new LED headlighta

Right: Engine output remains the same; meets more stringent emission norms

BMW 320Ld M Sport

Price: Rs 59.50 lakh (ex-showroom)

Engine: 1,995 cc, in-line four, turbo-diesel

Max Power: 190 hp at 4,000 rpm

Max Torque: 400 Nm at 1,750-2,500 rpm

Transmission: Eight-speed, automatic, rear-wheel drive

Suspension: Double-joint strut front, multi-link rear

Weight: NA

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Brand-new but old-school analogue: Lamborghini Huracán Tecnica meets Porsche 911 GT3

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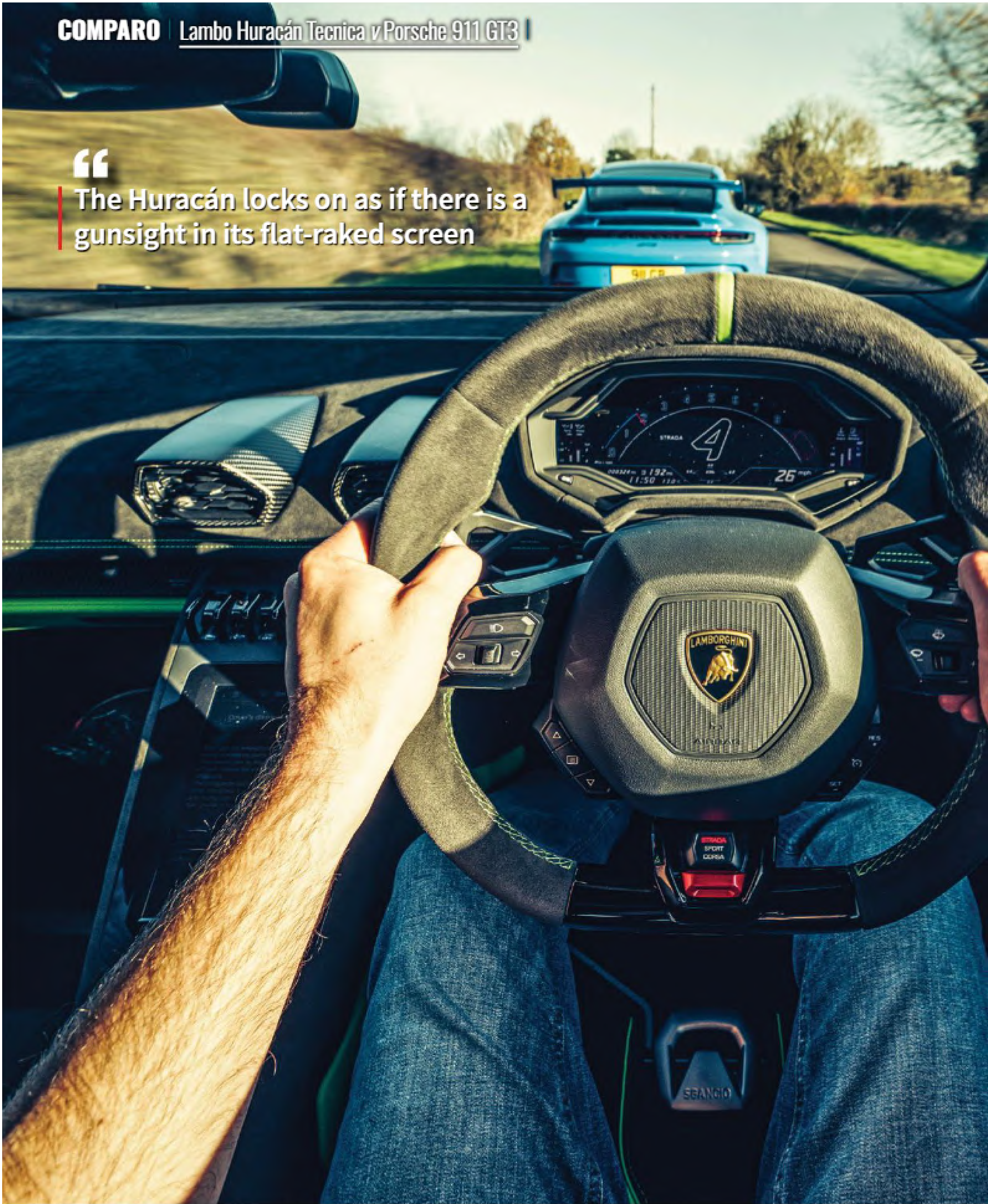

> The Huracán locks on as if there is a gunsight in its flat-raked screen

THESE CARS ARE NOT DIRECT RIVALS. THE SMALL matter of four cylinders, an entire market segment, and some £76k (Rs 76 lakh) separates Lamborghini Huracán Tecnica from Porsche's 911 GT3 (or £122k = Rs 1.22 crore with our "as tested" options). What they share is philosophy and timing—driver engagement as if it has been concentrated through a magnifying glass, visceral thrills accented towards the track but accessible on the road, and the knowledge that we have only a limited window in which to enjoy analogue cars like these, at least as new.

Naturally aspirated engines shared largely unchanged from GT3 racers are key to this urgency. Four litres in the Porsche, 5.2 in the Lambo, they rev like circular saws and do their best work when most of the newer and cleaner turbo engines are clocking off; you need to monster them to unlock their full potential.

I am in the Lamborghini first, following Jake Groves in the 911 GT3 as he drops two gears for a tight corner, paddle-shift clicks unleashing two angry barks as the flat-six's revs flick up. A raspish gasp of induction fills the vacuum of V10 noise when I follow suit in the Huracán, rolling into the corner hard before we both pin the throttle fractions of a second apart. The GT3 digs in and the Huracán locks on to its fat rump as if there is a gunsight at the centre of its fast-raked windscreen.

More than speed, it is the sound and build to peak power that defines these experiences—both cars amass revs and sonics with a long, frenzied fury up through the gears—the serrated wail and pompy brass of the V10 dominates the Huracán's cabin but the GT3's flat-six is a howling blare up ahead, low in the mix if ever-present, like I am playing the root note and Jake is riffing further up the scale. Primal noise swirls like surround-sound.

The £212k (Rs 2.12 crore) Lamborghini is both newbie-on-test and the penultimate Huracán before Sant'Agata signs off production with the jacked-up Sterrato. Slotting between the rear-drive Huracán Evo and motorsport-derived STO, the Tecnica logically dials up the intensity, spec, and feel of the former without getting as rowdy, uncompromising or pricey as the exceptional latter. (The 911 GT3 mirrors this positioning, sitting above a Carrera GTS and below the resolutely track-focused GT3 RS.) Want to road trip and track-day? Tecnica is the ticket.

Its naturally aspirated V10 is borrowed from the Huracán STO with 640 hp at 8,000 rpm, all of it flowing to 305-section rear 20-inch tyres through a seven-speed dual-clutch gearbox. Carbon-ceramic brakes are standard, a revised suspension set-up features adaptive dampers, there is 35 per cent more rear downforce than in an Evo (if nowhere near the re-invention of the carbon-clad STO) and the Lambo is rear-wheel-drive and rear-wheel-steer only. At 1,379 kilograms (dry), a Tecnica is only 40 kilos heavier than an STO, so acceleratively they are close.

For all its barely concealed aggression, the Huracán Tecnica is surprisingly—and pleasingly—docile in ease-you-in Strada mode. Around town you feel each corner of the car reacting a little lumpily to bumps but moderate speed introduces elasticity to a set-up that is tautly controlled and flows beautifully—note how healthy this ride height is for a supercar—and is really quite mellow over B-roads with awkward negative cambers and crowns.

Variable-ratio steering is similarly nuanced and delicate. There is a little slack at the dead-ahead to dial out excess sensitivity, but weight and context beyond that. Once you have tipped it in, it brims with feedback, sparky response, and natural self-centring forces.

Rear-wheel steering blends seamlessly with the dynamics. As Jake sums up: 'It doesn't feel as unnatural or augmented like it

Proper round steering wheel for a proper sports car

Tecnica restyle shown to best effect with split-colour break

can in other cars—it's still fluid.' Switching to Sport mode tweaks the system's reactivity, so it arcs into oversteer more readily off-throttle, but the organic dynamic persists.

Even the noise of the V10 is very much a bit part below 4,000 rpm, where dual-clutch gear-changes slot smoothly. While there is road noise, it is acceptable given the level of tactility streaming up through optional Bridgestone Potenza Race tyres (though with near-slick outer shoulders, they are a liability in this morning's 6-Celsius damp).

Shame the brakes wake so promptly but offer little modulation beyond their initial bite. 'Brakes are insanely sharp,' nods Jake. 'So much as look at the pedal and you almost headbutt the steering wheel.'

Our only other dynamic negative relates to damper firmness being tied to pre-determined Strada/Sport/Race drive modes; a pity, given that Sport brings more STO spice to the surface with a fire-and-brimstone powertrain calibration but comes bundled with a significant drop in ride quality. 'Borders on unbearable on the road unless it's a silky-smooth surface,' notes Jake.

Nevertheless, after just a few miles behind the wheel you know this is a properly sorted, engaging, and usable Lambo, even if it did just smear through a third-gear corner with all systems engaged. Yikes.

The 911 GT3 is happier in these conditions on its still highly aggressive Cup 2 tyres. You will probably know the GT3 by now: a roadgoing 911 inspired by Porsche's motor sport exploits, winner of our 2021 Sports Car Giant Test against pricier rivals, and darling benchmark of road testers. So, it is good. A big step over the Carrera range, it gets double-wishbone front suspension (not the MacPherson struts used on other 911s), 50 per cent more downforce than its predecessor, and a 4.0-litre flat-six shared almost unchanged with the GT3 Cup racer. It weighs 1,435 kg with fluids.

The price officially starts from £135,700 (Rs 1.36 crore). But... join the queue.

I love the usability of the GT3. Mostly it is architectural stuff like a more upright windscreen for better visibility and a perfect driving position that drops you low with legs straight ahead (our car gets optional and sublime 918 Spyder buckets) but it is also in the simple details: having indicator stalks rather than the Huracán's steering-wheel buttons, window switches on door casings rather than toggle switches on the centre console.

As Jake points out, 'The Lambo definitely has that Audi veneer of feeling well put together but button placement is mad, the portrait touchscreen is fiddly, and I still don't like the steering-wheel controls. A 911 is way more intuitive.'

The Porsche has road noise like surfing a 50-foot wave, though way worse than the Huracán's. That is the price you pay for huge 315-section rear tyres (bigger than the Italian), a ball-jointed chassis for maximum precision, and reduced sound-proofing, all of which help make the GT3 such an event to drive.

The last GT3 I tested over these roads was a wing-free Touring with the manual gearbox, P Zero Corsas, and standard brakes (it is the nicer aesthetic IMHO). This one gets the PDK dual-clutch auto, Michelin Cup 2s and carbon-ceramic brakes, and immediately exudes a different attitude. The PDK is a little clumsier at parking speeds (though at least you get a physical gear-lever to push over to manual, unlike the Carrera), the brake pedal ▸

THE BIG QUESTIONS: HURACAN TECNICA

Straight outta Silverstone? Almost. V10 is a straight lift from range-topping STO, which itself borrows from Huracán race cars. Rest of Tecnica package—bodywork, chassis, interior—tones it down to be more liveable without losing engagement.

Can I get a selfie? Tecnica has got less chance of flying under the radar than a volley of warheads; but that is what buyers sign up for, after all. Petrol pumps, car parks, traffic jams—you will make more friends than a Facebook philanthropist.

Next best thing? That will be the regular Evo rear-wheel-drive model. Loses only 30 hp, gains 10 kg, not quite as tactile, damping not as dexterous but rear-drive V10 loveliness. Also check out Audi's related rear-wheel-drive R8.

Can the other half come too? Certainly can. There is 150 litres of luggage space beneath that pointy snout and a snug little shelf behind the seats. Think more stuff-it-in-the-overhead-lockers than British Airways hold allowance, mind.

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> “The GT3’s PDK shift syncs perfectly with the powertrain’s fizziness

Rear balance gives monster traction but GT3 is still playful

> This is a properly sorted, engaging, and usable Lamborghini

There as fire in the bull's belly. We will really miss this V10 does not bite as crisply, and this GT3's steering—full of precision and gorgeously weighted as it is—is more sensitive and sniffier over cambers. Perhaps, stiffer tyre shoulders and sidewalls are the reason; perhaps, a difference in this car's geometry settings, but the Touring was calmer.

It rides well for such a focused machine, though—'only as firm in its firmest setting as the Huracán in Strada,' thinks Jake—and there is a kind of circuit-board-like stiffness coursing through this platform, as if each wheel is a receiver and you are the CPU plugged in the middle, mainlining high-fidelity data.

lus... What. An. Engine. GT3 models now stand alone among 911s in shunning forced induction and this 4.0-litre flat-six cranks with a gruff industrial chunter but morphs into a delicious howl (despite gasoline particulate filters that are usually the foe of decent sound). It offers an astonishing purity of response and rewards graft with a bandwidth stretching sky-high to 9,000 rpm; so high you have to really steel yourself to hit that target.

A whisker over 500 hp and 470 Nm sounds a little flat on paper in these power-hungry times (fractions more than the last GT3, plus a Carrera S has a chunk more torque), but, in reality, it is all-consuming performance that leaves you wondering why anyone needs extra.

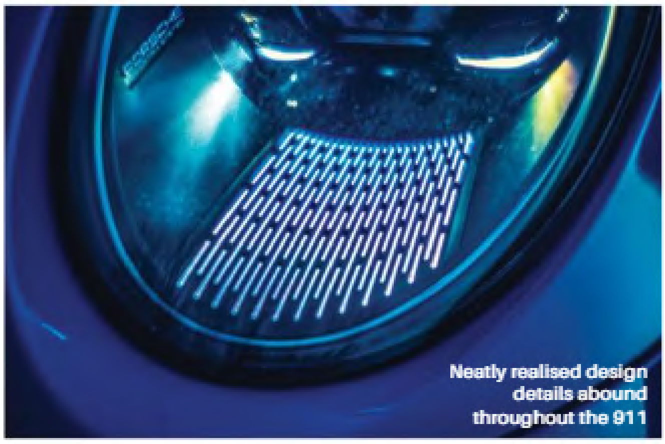
Jake notes that long-legged gearing knocks some of the wind from the Porsche's sails when you are not driving as if your hair is on fire, but keep it lit past 4,000 rpm and this engine's bandwidth and absolute clarity of response are spellbinding. 'The Lambo pulls better during low-rev/high-gear acceleration but the GT3 still screams and surges forwards with insane power—and what a gorgeous noise,' he comments.

The six-speed manual adds another layer of authenticity to the GT3 experience—beautiful tight action, nicely weighted clutch, perfect pedals for heel-and-toe—but, equally, our PDK syncs perfectly with the fizziness of this powertrain, popping in shifts as if you are flat-chat down the Mulsanne in an RSR.

Besides, the real magic lies in how harmoniously this powertrain is integrated with steering, chassis, braking, the lot. Pretty wondrous stuff has been worked here, but a 992 GT3 is still very much a 911: the nose is light and reactive, stability under heavier braking is exceptional (the rear engine prevents too much unstable weight transfer over the nose), and there is monster traction to catapult you from turns.

It is just that all those traits are purified and dialled right up—I get the smallest push of understeer only when the tyres are cold, but, otherwise, it just bites unless you are hellbent on clumsiness,

Serious face for serious performance but Tecnica is a fun car


Neatly realised design details abound throughout the 911

Corsa mode turns the tacho into a revvable rainbow

THE BIG QUESTIONS: PORSCHE 911 GT3

Straight outta Silverstone? Not far off. Porsche say the 992 GT3 is closer to motor sport than ever. Gets 50 per cent more downforce than before, double-wishbone front end derived from the 911 RSR racer, and engine shared with GT3 Cup racer.

Can I get a selfie? GT3's as Schmeedia-friendly as you fancy but if it is all about the drive, you might prefer Touring spec, which drops the swan-neck rear wing. Painted a subtle colour, uneducated folk might think it Carrera-common. Perfect.

Next best thing? Toss-up between the Carrera GTS or a box-fresh Carrera T. Former is your all-the-toys, all-the-power Carrera; T is arguably closer in purist spirit to GT3 and is cheaper (below £100k = Rs 1 crore), 40 kg lighter, and less powerful than a £115k (Rs 1.15 crore) GTS.

Can the other half come too? No No problem. Frunk less spacious than Lambo's at 132 litres but losing rear seats unlocks loads of rear space. Our car's fixed-back buckets and cage eat into that—worst case, chuck a bag back there then pack.

so you can fire a GT3 into a corner knowing it will feel almost as planted loaded up as it does in a straight line, then climb all over the throttle early, confident the chassis can soak up all that power. Rear-wheel steering is mixed in there but it is oh-so-subtle.

Add it together with relatively modest power and this is a momentum car that oozes mechanical grit and balance, encouraging you to shake every drop of HP sauce from the bottle rather than squeeze it cautiously. Find the limits and again the Cup 2 tyres (and, perhaps, the electronic limited-slip differential *versus* the manual's mechanical locker) make a pronounced difference *versus* the P Zero Corsas; it is more of a slick-tyre feel with higher mechanical grip and an edgier transition to losing purchase. They would probably be my track choice, but the more progressive Corsas strike a sweeter balance for road driving.

The roads have mostly lost their greasy sheen when I jump back into the Huracán, heading cross-country towards Silverstone for a few laps before handing the keys back to Lamborghini. Heat in the tyres and the balance is all response and chunky bite at the front, giving me confidence to carve into corners hard, loading up the front while the V10 starts to tweak the rear end round. Go with the flow and the tyres smear a few degrees over the surface like chewing gum—it is simultaneously secure and adjustable.

What a contrast to the original all-wheel-drive Huracáns, which would bite and grab more manically at the surface, steer nowhere near as delicately and were more complex to read dynamically. The Tecnica is so limber and relaxed in comparison, even when driven hard.

Under-square *versus* the big-bore/shorter-stroke GT3, the Lamborghini V10 lacks 500 rpm on the GT3 but it is far more potent, unbelievably vital, and startlingly responsive in the upper third of its rev-range. Out of a roundabout, straight road ahead, it is so rabid at high revs that I grit my teeth in second and third gear past 6,500 rpm, half expecting the tyres to be overwhelmed in what remain chilly conditions—thankfully, Strada mode takes the sting out of that, blending performance with grip so expertly, you easily forget that electronics are helping at all.

When I uncork all 8,500 rpm on Silverstone in all-out Corsa mode, the V10 is pure fire, wavering on the high notes like some glass-shattering operatic euphoria. The circuit is damp and not really suited to the Race tyres, but that gorgeously malleable balance comes to the fore here, letting me feel out the grip with a little entry understeer, then squeezing on the power to cancel it out again, the tyres and revs flicking up like helium. It is as if I am skating just a few millimetres over the surface but still working against the available grip—lovely, at least when there is airfield-spec run-off... Even those over-sensitive brakes fade to the background when I am digging deeper into the pedal travel. I am out there lapping for half an hour on my own in absolute heaven.

What a day! Two very different performance cars from Lamborghini and Porsche; two unbelievably intense experiences and a fittingly celebratory climax as we reach the swansong of natural aspiration.

Let us not kid ourselves and get too misty-eyed here – I will not tell you that all the new turbo-hybrid cars pale in comparison to the 911 GT3 and Huracán Tecnica, because there is some properly exciting kit coming through right now. But these cars are a reminder that for all today's mind-boggling progress, we are leaving something uniquely involving, analogue, and raw behind.

Never mind missing them once they are gone, better get out there and enjoy them while we still can, I suppose.

Lamborghini Huracán Tecnica

Price: £212,000 (Rs 2.12 crore) (£281,249 = Rs 2.81 crore, as tested)

Powertrain: 5,204 cc 40v V10, seven-speed dual-clutch auto, rear wheel drive

Performance: 640 hp at 8,000 rpm, 565 Nm at 6,500 rpm, 3.2 seconds 0-100 km/h, 327 km/h

Efficiency: 6.9 km/l (official), 4.9 km/l (tested), 328 g/km CO2

Weight: 1,379 kg

On Sale: Now

> **These two cars are very different and unbelievably intense**

Porsche 911 GT3

Price: £135,700 (Rs 1.36 crore) (£159,711 = Rs 1.60 crore, as tested)
Powertrain: 3,996 cc 24v flat six, seven-speed dual-clutch auto, rear-wheel drive
Performance: 510 hp at 8,400 rpm, 470 Nm at 6,100 rpm, 3.4 seconds 0-100 km/h, 318 km/h
Efficiency: 7.7 km/l (official), 5.6 km/l (as tested), 294 g/km CO2
Weight: 1,435 kg
On Sale: Now

Nasser al-Attiyah wins Dakar Rally for the fifth time

As the 2023 Dakar Rally came to an end, Al-Attiyah won his fifth championship

Report: Kurt Morris

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Sebastien Loeb and co-driver Fabian Lurquin finished second

THE AUTOMOBILE CLASS OF THE 2023 DAKAR Rally was won by Nasser Al-Attiyah and his co-driver, Mathieu Baumel, who once again triumphed in a Toyota Hilux. It marks the team's fifth victory, the Toyota Hilux Dakar's third, and all three have triumphed twice in a row.

The Frenchman, Sebastien Loeb, who finished second last year as well, trailed the 52-year-old Nasser al-Attiyah by more than an hour in the overall standings after the 52-year-old won three stages. Lucas Moraes of Brazil, a colleague of Al-at Attiyah's Toyota team, came in third. With a dominating lead after the first week and a safety-first approach in the second half of the race, Al-Attiyah claimed the overall lead following the third stage.

As he set a record by winning six straight stages in the second week for the Bahrain Raid Xtreme squad, Loeb gave it everything he had. However, the 48-year-old Frenchman had lost so much time in the opening leg of the race that it was hopeless.

Al-Attiyah was in charge of this year's Dakar Rally for more than a week, gaining advantage from both his own pace and the early departure of a majority of other competitors. Although Sebastian Loeb's lead was insurmountable, he made a statement by winning six straight stages in the second week. In the final classification, that was enough for Loeb, co-driver Fabian Lurquin, and their Prodrive vehicle to move up to the second place, but Al-Attiyah still won the rally by more than an hour and 20 minutes. Loeb, a nine-time world rally champion, has been placed second three times in a row in the Dakar Rally. Another Toyota, driven by Lucas Moraes and Timo Gottschalk, finished third.

The Frenchman, Stephane Peterhansel, holds the record for the most victories in the automobile category with eight, while the Qatari Nasser al-Attiyah, who took the lead from stage three when opponents encountered difficulties, is now second.

Interestingly, the top-finishing vehicle from Audi's well-known Dakar programme came in barely 14th, more than six hours behind the rally leader. The ambitious Audi programme encountered substantial reliability problems, collisions, and other concerns on the road for the second year in succession.

A dominant force in the rally in the early 2010s, top-ranked X-Raid Mini came in ninth.

The World Rally Raid Championship now includes the Dakar Rally. This was first done last year. That title match continues in Abu Dhabi the next month. The current winners, Al-Attiyah and Baumel, are in an excellent position to retain their title this year thanks to their victory in Dakar.

Nasser Al-Attiyah and co-driver Mathieu Baumel of Toyota Gazoo Racing won in 2023

Lucas Moraes and co-driver Timo Gottschalk of Overdrive Racing came in third

Ogier Victorious for a Record Ninth Time

Sébastien Ogier won Rallye Monte Carlo for a record ninth time, securing a lights-to-flag victory at the first round of the 2023 FIA World Rally Championship (WRC)

Report: Kurt Morris

SÉBASTIEN OGIER, WHO is taking on sporadic drives for Toyota Gazoo Racing this year, began his part-time season with a brilliant showing in the French Alps, dominating GR Yaris teammate, Kalle Rovanperä, by 18.8 seconds in a one-two finish for the Japanese team. His nine triumphs were attained with five different manufacturers during a three-decade-long period. The fact that his co-driver, Vincent Landais, celebrated his first world-level victory contributed significantly to Ogier's perfect weekend.

The Frenchman charged to a lead of more than 30 seconds on the first full day of competition in the mountains above Monaco and maintained it for the entire season opening. Prior to Sunday's championship race, Rovanperä whittled that margin down to just 16.0 seconds. Still, Ogier, who was denied victory a year earlier by a puncture, retained his composure to hold on to the lead throughout the final four-speed tests.

Elfyn Evans was contemplating what may have been. Toyota might have finished one-two-three on Friday if it weren't for a rear puncture that cost the Welshman more than 40 seconds. In order to prepare for an all-out assault on the bonus points-paying Wolf Power Stage, Ott Tänak took it easy on his soft-compound tyres, but he still fell short of the benchmark time by a mere half-second. Tänak believed he had improved after his M-Sport Ford Puma début among the top five.

After stumbling through the final with a damaged rear suspension, Takamoto Katsuta was fortunate to finish the competition. The teenage Yaris driver maintained sixth place overall by 14.9 seconds over Dani Sordo, whose Hyundai struggled all day with a hybrid unit issue.

The tournament now moves to Scandinavia for the season's sole all-winter round, from February 9 to 12 in Ume, where Rally Sweden takes place.

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Goodbye

Kia Carens D1.5 Luxury Plus AT

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I'VE LOST COUNT OF THE TIMES I'VE HEARD THE voice of Andrea Bocelli fill up the ample cabin from the premium Bose surround sound system of the wonderful Kia Carens Luxury Plus—my long-term car for some time now—on several trips to and from work and everywhere else. It made for a soothing, mellow experience, complemented by the, dare I say, perfect setting of ventilated seats, climate control, nicely weighted steering, good visibility, and immaculate ride quality. Rarely do I get fond of cars that come as long-termers but the Carens has, time and again, proved to be more than an adept companion in all sorts of scenarios, many beyond the call of duty.

Its composed ride and high level of comfort, ergonomics, quality of material, and fit-and-finish all made me think of some premium German names and offerings, costing thrice as much or more, as clearly lesser cars that have seemingly lost the plot. I was looked at curiously when I heaped the praise I did on it and was duly vindicated when nearly two dozen jurors of the Indian Car of the Year (ICOTY) 2023, the most coveted award of all in the country, also saw the car for what it was and awarded it the biggest prize of all.

Yes, my car was a diesel automatic—the best combo these days, in my opinion, given our driving conditions. Frugal, affordable, highly efficient, potent but unhurried, refined, and, in a word, sublime. Kia also offer manuals across nat-asp petrol, turbo-petrol, and turbo-diesel and their DCT and AT (this one) variants as well.

This car offers the space, versatility, and practicality of a large seven-seater yet the confidence and driveability of a hatchback. What else can I say? A deserving winner, surely. It will be missed.

— ***Jim Gorde***

Driven: 5,798 km | **Like:** Comfort, quality, efficiency, equipment | **Dislike:** Not much

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INDIA'S PUNCHIEST CAR BUYING GUIDE

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
ASTON MARTIN																			
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For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** NA. **Alternatives: 1.** Porsche 911 Turbo **2.** Mercedes-AMG GT																			
V8	286.00	3982/8	8A	685	510	1530	73	NA	295/30 R20	✓	NA	310	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
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For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** NA. **Alternatives: 1.** Bentley Continental GT **2.** Porsche 911 Turbo **3.** BMW M8 Coupé																			
V8 Coupé	BO	3982/8	8A	675	535	1760	78	NA	295/35 R20	✓	4.0	309	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V8 Volante	BO	3982/8	8A	675	535	1870	78	NA	295/35 R20	✓	4.1	309	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V12 Coupé	397.00	5204/12	8A	700	639	1875	78	NA	295/35 R20	✓	3.7	334	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
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For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** NA. **Alternatives: 1.** Ferrari 812 **2.** Bentley Continental GT Speed																			
DBS Coupé	BO	5204/12	8A	900	725	1693	NA	NA	305/30 R21	✓	3.4	340	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
DBS Volante	BO	5204/12	8A	900	725	1863	NA	NA	305/30 R21	✓	3.6	340	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
DBX																			
For: Luxury, versatility, driving dynamics. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Sport luxury all-roader for the well-heeled. **Alternatives: 1.** Lamborghini Urus **2.** Maserati Levante Trofeo **3.** Porsche Cayenne Turbo																			
DBX	382.00	3982/8	9A	700	550	2245	91	632	275/50 R20	✓	NA	291	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AUDI																			
A4																			
For: Refinement, equipment, ride quality. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Refined entry luxury saloon. **Alternatives: 1.** BMW 3 Series **2.** Volvo S60 **3.** Mercedes-Benz C-Class																			
40 TFSI Premium	39.99	1984/4	7A	320	190	1560	54	460	225/50 R17	✓	7.1	210	10.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
40 TFSI Technology	47.90	1984/4	7A	320	190	1560	54	460	225/50 R17	✓	7.1	210	10.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 21	★★★★★
A5																			
For: Performance, refinement, space. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** A more sensible choice should the RS 7 seems too much. **Alternatives: 1.** BMW M340i xDrive **2.** Mercedes-AMG C-Class																			
S5 Sportback TFSI	82.51	2995/6	8A	500	354	1760	58	465	255/35 R19	✓	4.8	250	9.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jun 21	★★★★★
RS 5 Sportback TFSI	107.19	2894/6	8A	600	450	1720	58	465	255/35 R19	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
A6																			
For: Refinement, interior, equipment, ride quality. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Comfortable and refined saloon. **Alternatives: 1.** BMW 5 Series **2.** Volvo S90 **3.** Mercedes-Benz E-Class																			
45 TFSI Premium Plus	58.80	1984/4	7A	370	245	1640	73	560	225/55 R18	✓	7.54	250	11.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
45 TFSI Technology	64.70	1984/4	7A	370	245	1640	73	560	225/55 R18	✓	7.54	250	11.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 19	★★★★★
A7																			
For: Performance, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The high-performance Audi is a proper all-round brute. **Alternatives: 1.** BMW M5 Competition/8 Series Gran Coupé **2.** Porsche Panamera **3.** Mercedes-AMG GT 4-Door Coupé																			
RS 7 Sportback TFSI	219.75	3996/6	8A	800	600	2065	72	505	255/45 R19	✓	3.6	250	7.6	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 21	★★★★★
A8																			
For: Refinement, interior, equipment, ride quality. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** Audi's flagship luxury saloon. **Alternatives: 1.** BMW 7 Series **2.** Lexus LS **3.** Mercedes-Benz S-Class																			
55 TFSI quattro Celebration	129.00	2995/6	8A	500	340	1985	82	505	255/45 R19	✓	5.7	250	6.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

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In-line six turbo-petrol or pure electric saloon? Both the 740i and i7 xDrive60 are available starting from Rs 1.70 crore (ex)

MAHINDRA XUV400

The longer and more premium electric version of the XUV300 is here. Prices for the new EV start from Rs 15.99 lakh (ex)

LEGENDS

PRICES
Ex-showroom, Pune (subject to change)
BO: Available only by order
NA: Price not available

FEATURES
F: Front only
D: Driver airbag only
O: Optional equipment

ASTON MARTIN

VANTAGE

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** NA.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911 Turbo **2.** Mercedes-AMG GT

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
V8 Coupé	295.00	3982/8	8A	685	510	1530	73	NA	295/35 R20	✓	3.6	314	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V8 Roadster	350.00	3982/8	8A	685	510	1628	73	NA	295/35 R20	✓	3.8	306	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

DB11

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** NA.
Alternatives: 1. Bentley Continental GT **2.** Porsche 911 Turbo **3.** BMW M8 Coupé

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
V8 Coupé	380.00	3982/8	8A	675	535	1760	78	NA	295/35 R20	✓	4.0	309	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V8 Volante	400.00	3982/8	8A	675	535	1870	78	NA	295/35 R20	✓	4.1	309	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V12 Coupé	420.00	5204/12	8A	700	639	1875	78	NA	295/35 R20	✓	3.7	334	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

DBS

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** NA.
Alternatives: 1. Ferrari 812 **2.** Bentley Continental GT Speed

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
DBS Coupé	500.00	5204/12	8A	900	725	1693	NA	NA	305/30 R21	✓	3.4	340	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
DBS Volante	BO	5204/12	8A	900	725	1863	NA	NA	305/30 R21	✓	3.6	340	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
DBS 770 Ultimate	BO	5204/12	8A	900	770	1695	NA	NA	305/30 R21	✓	3.4	340	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

DBX

For: Luxury, versatility, driving dynamics. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Sport-luxury all-roader for the well-heeled.
Alternatives: 1. Lamborghini Urus **2.** Maserati Levante Trofeo **3.** Porsche Cayenne Turbo

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
DBX	382.00	3982/8	9A	700	550	2245	91	632	275/50 R20	✓	NA	291	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
DBX707	463.00	3982/8	9A	900	707	2245	91	632	325/35 R22	✓	3.3	310	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

AUDI

A4

For: Refinement, equipment, ride quality. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Refined entry luxury saloon.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 3 Series **2.** Mercedes-Benz C-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
40 TFSI Premium	43.12	1984/4	7A	320	190	1560	54	460	225/50 R17	✓	7.1	210	10.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
40 TFSI Technology	49.97	1984/4	7A	320	190	1560	54	460	225/50 R17	✓	7.1	210	10.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 21	★★★★★

A5

For: Performance, refinement, space. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** A more sensible choice should the RS 7 seems too much.
Alternatives: 1. BMW M340i xDrive **2.** Mercedes-AMG C-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
S5 Sportback TFSI	84.23	2995/6	8A	500	354	1760	58	465	255/35 R19	✓	4.8	250	9.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jun 21	★★★★★
RS 5 Sportback TFSI	109.36	2894/6	8A	600	450	1720	58	465	255/35 R19	✓	3.9	250	8.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Nov 22	★★★★★

A6

For: Refinement, interior, equipment, ride quality. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Comfortable and refined saloon.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 5 Series **2.** Volvo S90 **3.** Mercedes-Benz E-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
45 TFSI Premium Plus	59.99	1984/4	7A	370	245	1640	73	560	225/55 R18	✓	7.54	250	11.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
45 TFSI Technology	65.99	1984/4	7A	370	245	1640	73	560	225/55 R18	✓	7.54	250	11.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 19	★★★★★

A7

For: Performance, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The high-performance Audi is a proper all-round brute.
Alternatives: 1. BMW M5 Competition/8 Series Gran Coupé **2.** Porsche Panamera **3.** Mercedes-AMG GT 4-Door Coupé

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
RS 7 Sportback TFSI	219.75	3996/6	8A	800	600	2065	72	505	255/45 R19	✓	3.6	250	7.6	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 21	★★★★★

A8

For: Refinement, interior, equipment, ride quality. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** Audi's flagship luxury saloon.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 7 Series **2.** Lexus LS **3.** Mercedes-Benz S-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
55 TFSI quattro Celebration	129.00	2995/6	8A	500	340	1985	82	505	255/45 R19	✓	5.7	250	6.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
55 TFSI quattro Technology	157.00	2995/6	8A	500	340	1985	82	505	255/45 R19	✓	5.7	250	6.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 22	★★★★★

Q3

For: Compact size, refinement. **Against:** Price, no diesel option. **Verdict:** The entry Q model.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X1 **2.** Volvo XC40 **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLA-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
40 TFSI quattro	44.69	1984/4	7A	320	190	1620	55	530	235/55 R18	✓	7.3	222	9.8	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
40 TFSI quattro Technology	50.39	1984/4	7A	320	190	1620	55	530	235/55 R18	✓	7.3	222	9.8	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 22	★★★★★

Q5

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** Refreshed mid-size Q is high on tech and practicality.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X3 **2.** Volvo XC60 **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLC-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
45 TFSI quattro Premium Pl	59.90	1984/4	7A	370	249	1760	70	520	235/55 R19	✓	6.3	237	8.4	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
40 TFSI quattro Technology	65.55	1984/4	7A	370	249	1760	70	520	235/55 R19	✓	6.3	237	8.4	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 21	★★★★½

Q7

For: Presence, ride quality. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Audi's seven-seat wonder.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X7 **2.** Volvo XC90 **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLE-Class **4.** Land Rover Discovery

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
55 TFSI quattro Premium+	82.49	2995/6	8A	500	340	2140	85	402	255/55 R19	✓	5.9	250	7.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
55 TFSI quattro Technology	89.90	2995/6	8A	500	340	2140	85	402	255/55 R19	✓	5.9	250	7.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 22	★★★★★

Q8

For: Style, equipment, refinement. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The sportier Q7.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Cayenne Coupé **2.** BMW X6 **3.** Mercedes-AMG GLE Coupé

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
55 TFSI quattro Celebration	103.55	2995/6	8A	500	340	2115	85	605	265/55 R19	✓	7.02	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
55 TFSI quattro Technology	140.40	2995/6	8A	500	340	2115	85	605	285/45 R21	✓	7.02	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 20	★★★★★
RS Q8	224.18	3996/8	8A	800	600	2315	85	605	295/35 R23	✓	5.39	250	5.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 20	★★★★★

e-tron

For: Refinement, equipment, flexibility. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** An electric, five-seater Q slightly smaller than a Q7.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes EQC 400 **2.** Jaguar I-Pace

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
50 quattro	101.14	E, 71.2kWh	1A	540	313	2370	NA	660	255/50 R20	✓	6.8	190	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
55 quattro	117.45	E, 95kWh	1A	664	408	2520	NA	660	255/50 R20	✓	5.7	200	4.2	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jul 21	★★★★★
Sportback 55 quattro	119.04	E, 95kWh	1A	664	408	2520	NA	615	255/50 R20	✓	5.7	200	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

e-tron GT

For: Style, performance. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** India's first electric grand tourer.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Taycan

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
e-tron GT quattro	165.89	E, 93.4kWh	2A	630	476	2295	NA	350	NA	✓	4.1	245	4.1	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 22	★★★★★
RS e-tron GT quattro	189.00	E, 93.4kWh	2A	830	598	2347	NA	405	NA	✓	3.3	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

BENTLEY

CONTINENTAL

For: A Bentley with Le Mans heritage. **Against:** Price? **Verdict:** Sport meets luxury in an exemplary grand tourer.
Alternatives: 1. Aston Martin DB11 **2.** Porsche 911 Turbo S **3.** McLaren GT

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GT V8	329.47	3996/8	8A	770	550	2165	90	358	275/40 R20	✓	4.0	318	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GTC V8	364.21	3996/8	8A	770	550	2335	90	235	275/40 R20	✓	4.1	318	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GT V8 S	355.81	3996/8	8A	770	550	2165	90	358	275/40 R20	✓	4.0	318	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GTC V8 S	392.09	3996/8	8A	770	550	2335	90	235	275/40 R20	✓	4.1	318	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GT Speed	403.59	5950/12	8A	900	659	2273	90	358	275/35 R21	✓	3.6	335	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GTC Speed	442.96	5950/12	8A	900	635	2436	90	235	275/35 R21	✓	3.7	335	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

FLYING SPUR

For: Fast and agile for a 2.4-tonne car. **Against:** Price? **Verdict:** A really fast super-luxury saloon.
Alternatives: 1. Rolls-Royce Ghost **2.** Porsche Panamera Executive **3.** Mercedes-Maybach S-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Hybrid	BO	2894/6	8A	750	544	2505	80	351	275/40 R20	✓	4.3	285	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V8	322.00	3996/8	8A	770	550	2330	90	420	275/40 R20	✓	4.1	318	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Speed	341.00	5950/12	8A	900	635	2437	90	475	275/35 R21	✓	3.8	333	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

BENTAYGA

For: Bentley luxury with off-road ability. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** The Bentley of SUVs.
Alternatives: 1. Rolls-Royce Cullinan **2.** Land Rover Range Rover L **3.** Mercedes-Maybach GLS 600

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Hybrid (5-st)	BO	2995/6	8A	700	462	2648	75	484	275/50 R20	✓	5.2	254	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V8 (5-st)	410.00	3996/8	8A	770	550	2395	85	484	275/50 R20	✓	4.5	290	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
S (5-st)	BO	3996/8	8A	770	550	2415	85	484	275/50 R20	✓	4.5	290	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Speed (4-st)	BO	5950/12	8A	900	635	2508	85	431	275/40 R22	✓	3.9	306	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Ext. Wheelbase Azure	600.00	3996/8	8A	770	550	2514	85	380	285/35 R21	✓	4.6	290	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

BMW

2 SERIES

For: Handling, equipment, size. **Against:** Rear passenger room. **Verdict:** A sensible everyday sport-luxury car.
Alternatives: 1. Škoda Octavia **2.** Mercedes-Benz A-Class Sedan

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
220d Gran Coupé M Sport	44.50	1995/4	8A	400	190	1515	50	430	225/45 R17	✓	8.46	233	12.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Nov 20	★★★★½
220i Gran Coupé Sport	41.50	1998/4	8A	280	192	1430	50	430	225/45 R17	✓	7.1	240	9.38	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
220i Gran Coupé M Sport	43.50	1998/4	8A	280	192	1430	50	430	225/45 R17	✓	7.1	240	9.38	✓	✓	✓	✓	Apr 21	★★★★½

3 SERIES

For: Performance, ride, fuel efficiency. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** If you are looking for refined performance, look no further.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes-Benz C-Class **2.** Audi A4

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
320d Luxury 'Edition'	50.90	1995/4	8A	400	190	1450	59	480	225/50 R17	✓	7.67	243	13.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sep 19	★★★★★
320Ld Luxury Line	55.90	1995/4	8A	400	190	1640	59	480	225/50 R17	✓	7.6	235	14.37	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 21	★★★★★
330i Sport	46.90	1998/4	8A	400	258	1470	59	480	225/50 R17	✓	7.33	250	10.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 19	★★★★★
330Li M Sport	56.90	1998/4	8A	400	258	1640	59	480	225/50 R17	✓	6.2	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
M340i xDrive	69.20	2998/6	8A	500	374	1680	59	480	255/40 R18	✓	4.4	250	11.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 21	★★★★★

4 SERIES

For: Performance, design, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Exciting sport-luxury coupé.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 718 Cayman **2.** Porsche 911 Carrera **3.** Jaguar F-Type

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
M4 Competition M xDrive	143.90	2993/6	8A	650	510	1725	59	440	285/30 R20	✓	3.5	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

5 SERIES

For: Performance, luxury, driving pleasure. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Refined mile-muncher.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes-Benz E-Class **2.** Lexus ES **3.** Volvo S90 **4.** Audi A6

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
530i M Sport	64.50	1998/4	8A	350	252	1615	68	530	275/40 R18	✓	6.74	250	10.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jul 21	★★★★★
520d Luxury Line	65.90	1995/4	8A	400	190	1615	66	530	245/45 R18	✓	8.11	235	12.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	Nov 17	★★★★★
530d M Sport	74.50	2993/6	8A	620	265	1640	66	530	275/40 R18	✓	6.61	250	11.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 17	★★★★★
M5 Competition	173.50	4395/8	8A	750	625	1865	66	530	295/35 R20	✓	3.3	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

6 SERIES GRAN TURISMO

For: Ride quality, comfort, equipment. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Grand tourer meets style statement.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes-Benz E-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
630i M Sport	69.90	1998/4	8A	400	258	1720	68	600	275/40 R19	✓	6.5	250	9.1	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 21	★★★★★
620d Luxury Line	71.50	1995/4	8A	400	190	1725	66	600	245/50 R18	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
630d M Sport	79.90	2993/6	8A	620	265	1825	66	600	275/40 R19	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

7 SERIES

For: Loaded with cutting-edge technology. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** More advanced and capable than its predecessor.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes-Benz S-Class **2.** Lexus LS **3.** Audi A8

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
740i M Sport	170.00	2998/6	8A	540	380	2090	74	540	245/50 R19	✓	5.4	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
i7 xDrive60	195.00	E,101.7kWh	8A	745	544	2640	NA	500	275/40 R19	✓	4.7	240	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

8 SERIES GRAN COUPÉ

For: Style, performance, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The more sensible four-door coupé 8er, perhaps.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Panamera **2.** Maserati Quattroporte **3.** Mercedes-Benz S-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
840i Gran Coupé M Sport	162.00	2998/6	8A	500	340	1800	78	515	275/30 R20	✓	5.4	250	7.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 21	★★★★★

8 SERIES

For: Performance, design, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The modern reincarnation of a famous name.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911 Turbo **2.** Aston Martin Vantage

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
M8 Coupé	223.00	4395/8	8A	750	600	1885	68	515	285/35 R20	✓	3.3	250	5.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 20	★★★★★

Z4

For: Refinement, dynamic performance. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Fun-to-drive and refined sports car.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 718 Boxster

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
sDrive 20i	71.90	1998/4	8A	320	197	1405	52	281	255/45 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
M40i	84.90	2998/6	8A	500	340	1535	52	281	275/40 R18	✓	5.02	250	7.88	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 19	★★★★★

X1

For: Badge value. **Against:** Torque steer. **Verdict:** The easiest way to get into the BMW family.
Alternatives: 1. Volkswagen Tiguan **2.** Volvo XC40 **3.** Audi Q3 **4.** Mercedes-Benz GLA-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
sDrive18i xLine	45.90	1499/3	7A	230	136	1500	45	540	225/55 R17	✓	9.2	208	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
sDrive18d M Sport	47.90	1995/4	7A	360	150	1575	45	540	225/50 R18	✓	8.9	210	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

X3

For: Equipment, handling, practicality. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** Good on-road handler that isn't afraid of the rough stuff.
Alternatives: 1. Volvo XC60 **2.** Land Rover Discovery Sport **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLC-Class **4.** Audi Q5

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
xDrive30i M Sport	67.30	1998/4	8A	350	252	1755	65	550	245/50 R19	✓	6.4	240	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Apr 22	★★★★★
xDrive20d Luxury 'Edition'	66.50	1995/4	8A	400	190	1825	65	550	245/50 R19	✓	6.6	235	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

X4

For: Performance, handling, braking. **Against:** Rear passenger room. **Verdict:** If you find the X6 too large...
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes-Benz GLC Coupé **2.** Volvo XC60 **3.** Porsche Macan

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
xDrive30i M Sport	71.90	1998/4	8A	350	252	1725	68	525	275/40 R20	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
xDrive30d M Sport	73.90	2993/6	8A	620	265	1830	68	525	275/40 R20	✓	5.8	240	10.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 22	★★★★★

X5

For: Performance, equipment. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** A good all-round SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Volvo XC90 **2.** Mercedes-Benz GLE-Class **3.** Land Rover Range Rover Sport **4.** Audi Q7

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
xDrive30d SportX	81.50	2993/6	8A	620	265	2185	85	650	305/40 R20	✓	6.5	230	9.4	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jul 19	★★★★★
xDrive40i SportX Plus	79.90	2998/6	8A	450	340	2135	85	650	305/40 R20	✓	NA	243	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
M Competition	207.90	4395/8	8A	750	625	2310	83	650	315/30 R22	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

X6

For: Style, performance, equipment. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** A sporty coupé-styled SAV, or, SAC.
Alternatives: 1. Audi Q8 **2.** Porsche Cayenne Coupé **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLE-Class Coupé

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
xDrive40i xLine/M Sport	104.50	2998/6	8A	450	340	2055	80	580	275/40 R20	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

X7

For: Luxury, capability, equipment, presence. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Genuine 7 Series luxury in SUV form.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes-Benz GLS-Class **2.** Volvo XC90 **3.** Lexus LX

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
xDrive40i M Sport	122.00	2998/6	8A	540	380	2415	83	300	275/50 R20	✓	5.8	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
xDrive40d M Sport	124.50	2993/6	8A	720	352	2470	80	300	275/50 R20	✓	5.9	245	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

XM

For: Radical styling, V8 performance, PHEV efficiency. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** A formidable plug-in-hybrid V8 SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Cayenne E-Hybrid **2.** Land Rover Range Rover P510e

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
XM	260.00	4395/8	8A	800	653	2710	69	527	315/40 R21	✓	4.3	140/250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

i4

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** The electrified 4 Series Gran Coupé has everything one needs in a BMW.
Alternatives: 1. Audi Sportback e-tron

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
eDrive40	69.90	E, 83.9kWh	1A	430	340	2050	NA	470	225/55 R17	✓	5.7	190	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

iX

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** Bavaria's first all-electric luxury SUV in India.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes EQC **2.** Audi e-tron **3.** Jaguar I-Pace **4.** Volvo XC40 Recharge

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
xDrive40	115.90	E, 76.6kWh	1A	630	326	2365	NA	500	255/50 R21	✓	6.1	200	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

BYD

ATTO 3

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** All-electric SUV with some innovative features.
Alternatives: 1. MG ZS EV **2.** Hyundai Kona

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Atto 3	33.99	E, 60.48kWh	1A	310	204	1750	NA	440	215/55 R18	✓	7.3	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

CITROËN

C3

For: Comfort, refinement, ride quality. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** All-new compact car that's equal parts hatchback and crossover.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki Ignis **2.** Hyundai Grand i10 Nios **3.** Renault Kiger

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
PureTech 82 Live	5.71	1199/3	5	115	82	939	30	315	195/65 R15	-	14.9	168	13.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
PureTech 82 Feel Vibe DT	6.93	1199/3	5	115	82	964	30	315	195/65 R15	-	14.9	168	13.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 23	★★★★½
PureTech 110 Feel	8.05	1199/3	5	190	110	1035	30	315	195/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

C5 AIRCROSS

For: Equipment, ride quality. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** One of the best riding SUVs in the segment.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Tucson **2.** Volkswagen Tiguan

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
2.0 HDi Shine	36.67	1997/4	8A	400	177	1685	52	580	235/55 R18	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 22	★★★★★

FERRARI

PORTOFINO

For: Driver appeal and engagement, design. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Capable and stylish grand-tourer.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911 Turbo S Cabriolet **2.** Lamborghini Huracán Spyder

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Portofino M	375.00	3855/8	8A	760	620	1545	80	292	285/35 ZR20	✓	NA	320	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

ROMA

For: Styling, presence. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Distinct new design meets modern V8.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911 **2.** Lamborghini Huracán Evo

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Roma	400.00	3855/8	8A	760	620	1472	NA	NA	295/35 ZR20	✓	NA	320	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

F8

For: Turbo engine's comeback. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Extreme power in a compact package.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911 Turbo S **2.** Lamborghini Huracán Evo **3.** McLaren 720S

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
F8 Tributo	402.00	3902/8	7A	770	720	1435	78	230	305/30 ZR20	✓	NA	330	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
F8 Spider	460.00	3902/8	7A	770	720	NA	78	NA	305/30 ZR20	✓	NA	330	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

812

For: Monstrous power. **Against:** Monstrous price. **Verdict:** The essential Ferrari; armed to the tooth with cutting-edge tech.
Alternatives: 1. McLaren 765LT **2.** Aston Martin DBS

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
812 Superfast	525.00	6496/12	7A	718	800	1515	92	320	315/35 ZR20	✓	NA	340	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
812 GTS	585.00	6496/12	7A	718	800	1645	92	210	315/35 ZR20	✓	NA	340	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

296

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** Modern six-cylinder Ferrari hybrid supercar.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911 Turbo S **2.** Lamborghini Huracán

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
296 GTB	540.00	2992/6	8A	740	830	1470	65	NA	305/30 ZR20	✓	NA	330	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
296 GTS	BO	2992/6	8A	740	830	1645	92	210	305/30 ZR20	✓	NA	330	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

SF90

For: A 1,000-hp hybrid Ferrari. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The most advanced Ferrari road car ever.
Alternatives: None

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
SF90 Stradale	739.00	3990/8	8A	1065	1000	1570	68	320	315/30 ZR20	✓	NA	340	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
SF90 Spider	800.00	3990/8	8A	1065	1000	1670	68	74	315/30 ZR20	✓	NA	340	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

FORCE MOTORS

GURKHA

For: Off-road ability, functionality. **Against:** Basic interior. **Verdict:** All the off-roader you would ever need, and at a good price.
Alternatives: 1. Mahindra Thar

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Gurkha 4x4 3-dr	13.59	2596/4	5	250	91	NA	63	NA	245/70 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	-	✓	✓	NA	NA

HONDA

AMAZE

For: Space, fuel efficiency, equipment. **Against:** Questionable styling. **Verdict:** A credible alternative in the sub four-metre category.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Aura **2.** Maruti Suzuki Dzire

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
i-VTEC (P) E	6.89	1198/4	5	110	90	905	35	420	175/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
i-VTEC (P) VX CVT	9.48	1198/4	CVT	110	90	948	35	420	175/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

JAZZ

For: Interior, comfort, ride quality. **Against:** Not much, except a bit of engine noise (diesel). **Verdict:** Good all-rounder.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai i20 **2.** Maruti Suzuki Baleno

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (kmpl or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
i-VTEC (P) V	7.87	1198/4	5	110	90	1007	40	354	175/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	-	-	-	NA	NA
i-VTEC (P) ZX CVT	10.19	1198/4	CVT	110	90	1066	40	354	175/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

CITY

For: Engine, interior, equipment. **Against:** High-speed stability. **Verdict:** Exceptional combination of performance and efficiency.
Alternatives: 1. Škoda Slavia **2.**Hyundai Verna **3.** Maruti Suzuki Ciaz

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
i-VTEC V	11.87	1497/4	5	145	121	1107	40	506	185/60 R15	✓	10.76	164.5	12.25	✓	✓	✓	-	Oct 20	★★★★☆
e:HEV ZX CVT	19.89	1497/4	eCVT	253	126	NA	40	NA	185/55 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

WR-V

For: Space, practicality, efficiency. **Against:** Cabin noise. **Verdict:** Capable and practical all-rounder.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Venue **2.** Maruti Suzuki Vitara Brezza

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
i-VTEC (P) SV	9.19	1198/4	5	110	90	1087	40	363	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
i-VTEC (P) VX	9.97	1198/4	5	110	90	1104	40	363	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

HYUNDAI

GRAND i10 NIOS

For: Practicality, handling, equipment, fit-and-finish, value. **Against:** Can get pricey at the top. **Verdict:** Very practical everyday car.
Alternatives: 1. Citroën C3 **2.** Maruti Suzuki Swift

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.2 (P) Era	5.69	1197/4	5	114	83	NA	37	NA	165/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
1.2 (P) Asta Auto	8.47	1197/4	5A	114	83	NA	37	NA	175/60 R15	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.2 CNG Magna	7.56	1197/4	5	95	69	NA	37	NA	165/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
1.2 CNG Sportz	8.11	1197/4	5	99	69	NA	37	NA	175/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA

i20

For: Interior, equipment, ride quality, styling. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** One of the best modern hatchbacks.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki Baleno **2.** Toyota Glanza **3.** Tata Altroz

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.2 (P) Magna	7.07	1197/4	5	115	83	NA	37	311	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
1.2 (P) Asta(O) IVT	10.61	1197/4	CVT	115	88	NA	37	311	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.0 Turbo (P) Sportz iMT	8.88	998/3	6I	172	120	NA	37	311	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
N Line N8 DCT	11.96	998/3	7A	172	120	NA	37	311	195/55 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jun 22	★★★★⯨
1.5 CRDi Magna	8.43	1493/4	6	240	100	NA	37	311	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
1.5 CRDi Asta(O)	10.84	1493/4	6	240	100	NA	37	311	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

AURA

For: Practicality, equipment. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** A fitting replacement for the Accent and Xcent.
Alternatives: 1. Honda Amaze **2.** Maruti Suzuki Dzire

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.2 (P) E	6.30	1197/4	5	114	83	NA	37	402	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
1.2 (P) SX+ AT	8.73	1197/4	5A	114	83	NA	37	402	175/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.2 CNG S	8.10	1197/4	5	95	69	NA	37	NA	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
1.2 CNG SX	8.87	1197/4	5	95	69	NA	37	NA	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA

VERNA

For: Interior, equipment, handling, design, available variants. **Against:** Rear space. **Verdict:** Value for money sedan.
Alternatives: 1. Škoda Slavia **2.** Honda City **3.** Maruti Suzuki Ciaz

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.5 MPI (P) E	9.44	1497/4	6	144	115	NA	45	480	185/65 R15	-	12.64	170.9	9.5	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
1.5 MPI (P) SX(O)	13.09	1497/4	6	144	115	NA	45	480	195/55 R16	-	12.64	170.9	9.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 20	★★★★☆
1.5 MPI (P) SX IVT	12.49	1497/4	CVT	144	115	NA	45	480	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.0 TGDI (P) SX(O) DCT	14.28	998/3	7A	172	120	NA	45	480	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.5 CRDi S+	10.92	1493/4	6	250	115	NA	45	480	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
1.5 CRDi SX(O) AT	15.36	1493/4	6A	250	115	NA	45	480	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

KONA

For: Performance, equipment, refinement. **Against:** Practicality limited only by infrastructure. **Verdict:** Everyday electric car.
Alternatives: 1. MG ZS EV **2.** BYD Atto 3

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Electric Premium	23.84	E, 39.2kWh	1A	395	136	1593	NA	373	215/55 R17	✓	8.35	159.5	8.2/kWh	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 20	★★★★⯨

IONIQ 5

For: Comfort, equipment, refinement. **Against:** Practicality limited only by infrastructure. **Verdict:** Premium electric crossover.
Alternatives: 1. Kia EV6 **2.** BYD Atto 3

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Electric 72 kWh	44.95	E, 72.6kWh	1A	350	217	1990	NA	527	255/45 R20	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

VENUE

For: Handling, equipment. **Against:** Rear passenger room. **Verdict:** Thoroughly modern and well-equipped compact SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki Brezza **2.** Mahindra XUV300 **3.** Renault Kiger

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.2 (P) E	7.53	1197/4	5	114	83	NA	45	350	195/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
1.0 TGDI (P) S (O) iMT	10.00	998/3	6I	172	120	NA	45	350	215/60 R16	-	13.25	175.4	12.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sep 20	★★★★⯨
1.0 TGDI (P) SX(O) DCT	12.57	998/3	7A	172	120	NA	45	350	215/60 R16	-	10.85	NA	12.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 20	★★★★⯨
1.5 CRDi S+	10.00	1493/4	6	240	100	NA	45	350	195/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
1.5 CRDi SX(O)	12.37	1493/4	6	240	100	NA	45	350	215/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA

CRETA

For: Space, interior, practicality. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Capable as a city runabout and for a highway jaunt.
Alternatives: 1. Kia Seltos **2.** Skoda Kushaq **3.** Volkswagen Taigun **4.** MG Hector

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.5 MPi (P) EX	10.44	1497/4	6	144	115	NA	50	433	205/65 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
1.5 MPi (P) S iMT	12.84	1497/4	6I	144	115	NA	50	433	205/65 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.5 MPi (P) SX(O) IVT	17.07	1497/4	CVT	144	115	NA	50	433	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.4 TGDi (P) SX(O) DCT	18.15	1353/4	7A	242	140	NA	50	433	215/60 R17	✓	9.13	183.9	11.5	✓	✓	✓	-	Jun 20	★★★★½
1.5 CRDi E	10.94	1493/4	6	250	115	NA	50	433	205/65 R16	-	12.14	166.5	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 20	★★★★½
1.5 CRDi SX(O) AT	18.09	1493/4	6A	250	115	NA	50	433	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

ALCAZAR

For: Space, equipment, interior, practicality. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Flexible family car.
Alternatives: 1. Kia Carens **2.** Mahindra Scorpio-N **3.** MG Hector Plus

2.0 (P) Prestige Ex 7-st	15.89	1999/4	6	191	159	NA	50	180	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.0 (P) Signature AT 6/7-st	19.95	1999/4	6A	191	159	NA	50	180	215/55 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
CRDi Prestige 6/7-st	16.30	1493/4	6	250	115	NA	50	180	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	15.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 21	★★★★½
CRDi Signature AT 6/7-st	20.00	1493/4	6A	250	115	NA	50	180	215/55 R18	✓	NA	NA	16.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 22	★★★★½

TUCSON

For: Style, equipment, refinement, capability. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Radically stylish premium SUV that works everywhere.
Alternatives: 1. Volkswagen Tiguan **2.** Škoda Kodiaq **3.** Citročn C5 Aircross

2.0P Platinum	27.70	1999/4	6A	192	156	NA	54	540	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.0P Signature	30.17	1999/4	6A	192	156	NA	54	540	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.0D Platinum	30.20	1995/4	8A	416	186	NA	54	540	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.0D Signature 4WD	34.39	1995/4	8A	416	186	NA	54	540	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

ISUZU

MU-X

For: Features, equipment, comfort, space. **Against:** Price, service network. **Verdict:** More modern Isuzu full-size SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Toyota Fortuner **2.** Isuzu mu-X

AT 4x2	35.00	1898/4	6A	320	163	NA	65	235	255/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AT 4x4	37.90	1898/4	6A	320	163	NA	65	235	255/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

D-MAX

For: Capability, practicality, space, safety, equipment. **Against:** Size, in the city. **Verdict:** First Japanese pick-up in India.
Alternatives: 1. Toyota Hilux

Hi-Lander	18.98	1898/4	6	360	163	1835	76	NA	245/70 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V-Cross Z AT	21.98	1898/4	6A	360	163	1890	76	NA	255/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V-Cross Z 4x4	22.03	1898/4	6	360	163	1955	76	NA	255/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V-Cross Z Prestige 4x4 AT	25.55	1898/4	6A	360	163	1990	76	NA	255/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

JAGUAR

XE

For: Performance, looks, brand. **Against:** Space, price. **Verdict:** Jaguar's compact luxury challenger.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 3 Series **2.** Mercedes-Benz C-Class

P250 S	46.64	1997/4	8A	365	250	1639	62	403	225/55 R17	✓	6.7	250	9.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P250 SE	48.50	1997/4	8A	365	250	1655	62	403	225/55 R17	✓	6.7	250	9.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 20	★★★★★

XF

For: Performance, equipment, brand. **Against:** Rear space, price. **Verdict:** A stylish saloon that's fun to drive.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 5 Series **2.** Mercedes-Benz E-Class **3.** Volvo S90 **4.** Audi A6

P250 R-Dynamic S	71.60	1997/4	8A	365	250	1735	74	459	235/50 R18	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
D200 R-Dynamic S	76.00	1997/4	8A	430	204	1810	60	448	235/50 R18	✓	NA	235	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

F-PACE

For: Styling, safety, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** A capable and credible sport-luxury SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Macan **2.** BMW X3 **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLE-Class **4.** Volvo XC60

P250 AWD R-Dynamic S	69.99	1997/4	8A	365	250	1897	82	601	255/55 R19	✓	7.3	217	9.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sep 21	★★★★★
D200 AWD R-Dynamic S	69.99	1997/4	8A	430	204	1876	60	601	255/55 R19	✓	NA	210	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P550 AWD SVR	151.20	4999/8	8A	700	550	2058	82	613	295/40 R21	✓	NA	286	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

I-PACE

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** A sporty yet practical luxury electric SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes EQC 400 **2.** Audi e-tron **3.** Kia EV6

Electric AWD S	105.91	E, 90kWh	A	696	400	2248	NA	656	245/50 R20	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

F-TYPE

For: Exclusivity, power. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Raw and exciting sports car.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 718 (2.0), 911 (V8) **2.** Mercedes AMG GT **3.** Nissan GT-R **4.** BMW Z4

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
P300 Coupé	97.97	1997/4	8A	400	300	1520	63	509	295/35 ZR19	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P450 Coupé R-Dynamic	135.90	4999/8	8A	580	450	1660	70	509	295/30 ZR20	✓	NA	285	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P450 Convertible R-Dyna	145.66	4999/8	8A	580	450	1680	70	233	295/30 ZR20	✓	NA	285	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P575 Coupé AWD R	245.72	4999/8	8A	700	575	1743	70	509	295/30 ZR20	✓	NA	300	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P575 Convertible AWD R	261.42	4999/8	8A	680	575	1763	70	233	295/30 ZR20	✓	NA	300	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

JEEP

COMPASS

For: Styling, safety, equipment, comfort, capability, ride quality. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** The most accessible Jeep.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Creta **2.** Kia Seltos **3.** Volkswagen Taigun

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
MultiAir (P) Sport	18.04	1368/4	6	250	162	1464	60	NA	225/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
MultiAir (P) S AT	26.59	1368/4	7A	250	162	1553	60	NA	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
MultiJet (D) Sport	19.74	1956/4	6	350	170	1597	60	NA	225/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
MultiJet (D) S 4x4 AT	29.59	1956/4	9A	350	170	1778	60	NA	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	8.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 21	★★★★⯪
Trailhawk (D)	30.97	1956/4	9A	350	170	1778	60	NA	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

MERIDIAN

For: Styling, safety, equipment, comfort, capability, ride quality. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** A larger, three-row Compass.
Alternatives: 1. Mahindra XUV700 **2.** Toyota Fortuner

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Limited	29.90	1956/4	6	350	170	NA	60	NA	225/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Limited(O) 4x4 AT	36.95	1956/4	9A	350	170	1798	60	NA	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

WRANGLER

For: Off-road cred, style, driver appeal. **Against:** Fuel efficiency, price. **Verdict:** If you want a hardcore off-roader...
Alternatives: 1. Land Rover Defender

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Unlimited 4x4 AT	57.85	1995/4	8A	400	272	1999	80	900	255/70 R18 A/T	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Unlimited Rubicon	61.85	1995/4	8A	400	272	2034	80	900	255/75 R17 M/T	✓	NA	NA	11.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jul 21	★★★★⯪

GRAND CHEROKEE

For: Presence, comfort, equipment. **Against:** Engine size. **Verdict:** The premium Jeep revitalised.
Alternatives: 1. Land Rover Range Rover Sport **2.** BMW X5 **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLE-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Limited (O) 4x4 AT	77.50	1995/4	8A	400	272	NA	87	NA	265/50 R20	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

KIA

SONET

For: Styling, equipment, interior, powertrain choices. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Compact crossover at a competitive price.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Venue **2.** Mahindra XUV300 **3.** Maruti Suzuki Vitara Brezza

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
G1.2 (P) HTE	7.49	1197/4	5	113	83	NA	NA	392	195/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
G1.2 (P) HTK+	9.19	1197/4	5	113	83	NA	NA	392	215/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
T1.0 (P) HTK+	9.99	998/3	6I	172	120	NA	NA	392	215/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
T1.0 (P) X-Line	13.39	998/3	7A	172	120	NA	NA	392	215/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	12.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 21	★★★★⯪
D1.5 CRDi HTE	9.05	1493/4	6	240	100	NA	NA	392	195/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
D1.5 CRDi X-Line	13.99	1493/4	6A	250	115	NA	NA	392	215/60 R16	✓	11.97	174	17.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 22	★★★★⯪

SELTOS

For: Styling, equipment, interior, ride quality. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Modern crossover built for it all.
Alternatives: 1. Skoda Kushaq **2.** Volkswagen Taigun **3.** Hyundai Creta **3.** MG Hector

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
G1.5 (P) HTE	10.19	1497/4	6	144	115	1537	50	433	205/65 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
G1.5 (P) HTK+ iMT	12.75	1497/4	6I	144	115	1562	50	433	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
G1.5 (P) HTX IVT	15.15	1497/4	CVT	144	115	1562	50	433	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
T1.4 (P) GTX(O)	15.85	1353/4	6	242	140	NA	50	433	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
T1.4 (P) X-Line DCT	18.15	1353/4	7A	242	140	1648	50	433	215/60 R17	✓	9.13	183.9	11.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 19	★★★★⯪
D1.5 CRDi HTE	11.09	1493/4	6	250	115	1551	50	433	205/65 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	Dec 19	★★★★⯪
D1.5 CRDi HTK+ iMT	13.99	1493/4	6I	250	115	NA	50	433	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
D1.5 CRDi X-Line AT	18.45	1493/4	6A	250	115	NA	50	433	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

CARENS

For: Comfort, equipment, flexibility, handling. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** An "RV" that works like an MUV and drives like a hatch.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki Ertiga/XL6 **2.** Hyundai Alcazar **3.** Mahindra Scorpio-N/XUV700 **4.** MG Hector Plus

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
G1.5 (P) Premium	9.99	1497/4	6	144	115	NA	NA	216	195/65 R15	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
T1.4 (P) Luxury Plus DCT	17.70	1353/4	7A	242	140	NA	NA	216	205/65 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
D1.5 CRDi Premium	11.70	1493/4	6	250	115	NA	45	216	205/65 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
D1.5 CRDi Luxury Plus AT	18.00	1493/4	6A	250	115	NA	45	216	205/65 R16	✓	NA	NA	17.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 22	★★★★★

CARNIVAL

For: Space, comfort, flexibility. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Premium touring option for six or seven occupants.
Alternatives: None in this price bracket

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Prestige (6-st)	29.99	2199/4	8A	440	200	2093	60	540	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Limousine Plus (7-st)	35.49	2199/4	8A	440	200	2201	60	540	235/60 R18	✓	10.39	189.4	10.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jul 20	★★★★½

EV6

For: Comfort, versatility, performance. **Against:** Steep price point. **Verdict:** Exciting, all-new everyday EV on an all-new platform.
Alternatives: 1. BMW i4

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GT-Line	59.95	E, 77.4kWh	1A	350	229	1985	-	490	235/55 R19	✓	NA	185	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GT-Line AWD	64.95	E, 77.4kWh	1/1A	605	325	2090	-	490	235/55 R19	✓	NA	185	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

LAMBORGHINI

HURACÁN

For: Style, agility, handling, acceleration. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Probably the most exotic V10 supercar on sale today.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911 GT3 **2.** Ferrari Portofino **3.** McLaren Artura

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Evo RWD Coupé	322.00	5204/10	7A	560	610	1389	90	NA	305/35 ZR19	✓	NA	325	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Evo RWD Spyder	354.00	5204/10	7A	560	610	1509	90	NA	305/35 ZR19	✓	NA	324	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Sterrato	461.00	5204/10	7A	560	610	1470	90	NA	285/40 R19	✓	3.4	260	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Tecnica	404.00	5204/10	7A	565	640	1379	90	NA	305/30 ZR20	✓	3.0	310	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Evo Coupé	373.00	5204/10	7A	600	640	1422	90	NA	305/30 ZR20	✓	NA	325	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Evo Spyder	410.00	5204/10	7A	600	640	1542	90	NA	305/30 ZR20	✓	NA	324	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

URUS

For: Performance, capability. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Lamborghini's first modern SUV, and the fastest in the world.
Alternatives: 1. Bentley Bentayga **2.** Porsche Cayenne Turbo

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Urus	310.00	3996/8	8A	850	650	2197	85	NA	315/40 ZR21	✓	3.6	305	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Urus S	BO	3996/8	8A	850	666	2197	85	NA	315/40 ZR21	✓	3.5	305	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Urus Performante	422.00	3996/8	8A	850	666	2150	85	NA	315/35 ZR22	✓	3.3	306	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

LAND ROVER

DISCOVERY SPORT

For: Off-road capability, seven seat option. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Good all-round SUV with Land Rover off-road ability.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X3 **2.** Volvo XC60 **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLB **4.** Lexus NX **5.** Audi Q5

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
D200 R-Dynamic SE	71.39	1997/4	9A	430	204	1874	65	1197	235/60 R18	✓	8.6	209	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P250 R-Dynamic SE	71.39	1997/4	9A	430	204	1864	65	1197	235/60 R18	✓	7.8	225	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

DISCOVERY

For: Comfort, equipment, off-road ability. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The more modernised and equally capable full-size SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Volvo XC90 **2.** BMW X5 **3.** Audi Q7

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
P300 SE 7-st	93.90	1997/4	8A	400	300	2209	90	172	255/55 R19	✓	NA	201	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P360 Metropolitan Edition	131.70	2996/6	8A	500	360	2291	90	986	275/40 R21	✓	NA	209	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
D300 SE 7-st	120.00	2997/6	8A	650	300	2362	90	172	255/55 R19	✓	NA	209	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
D300 Metropolitan Edition	131.70	2997/6	8A	650	300	2311	90	986	275/40 R21	✓	NA	209	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

DEFENDER

For: Capability, comfort, flexibility, off-road prowess. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** An off-road legend reincarnate.
Alternatives: 1. Jeep Wrangler **2.** Mercedes-Benz G Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
90 (3-dr) P300 HSE	92.70	1997/4	8A	400	300	2065	90	297	255/70 R18	✓	NA	191	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 22	★★★★★
110 P300 X-Dynamic HSE	98.40	1997/4	8A	400	300	2168	90	231	255/60 R20	✓	8.1	191	6.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 21	★★★★★
90 (3-dr) P400 HSE	98.60	2996/6	8A	550	400	2170	90	297	255/70 R18	✓	6.0	191	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
110 P400 HSE	119.50	2996/6	8A	550	400	2275	90	231	255/70 R18	✓	NA	191	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
130 P400 HSE (8-st)	130.40	2996/6	8A	550	400	2528	90	290	255/70 R18	✓	6.6	191	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
90 (3 dr) D300 HSE	112.50	2997/6	8A	650	300	2228	89	297	255/60 R20	✓	NA	191	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
110 D300 SE	105.47	2997/6	8A	650	300	2396	89	231	255/70 R18	✓	NA	191	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
130 D300 X (5-st)	141.00	2997/6	8A	650	300	2550	89	1015	255/60 R20	✓	7.5	191	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
110 P400e X-Dynamic HSE	139.10	1997/4	8A	640	404	2538	91	853	255/60 R20	✓	5.6	191	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
90 (3 dr) V8	201.60	4999/8	8A	625	525	2471	90	297	255/60 R20	✓	5.2	240	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
110 V8 Carpathian Edition	229.90	4999/8	8A	625	525	2603	90	231	255/60 R20	✓	5.4	240	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

RANGE ROVER EVOQUE

For: Design, equipment, handling, off-road ability. **Against:** Space, price. **Verdict:** If you want style, go for it
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Macan **2.** Volvo XC60 **3.** BMW X3

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
D200 R-Dynamic SE	72.09	1997/4	9A	430	200	1816	70	591	235/65 R17	✓	NA	205	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P250 R-Dynamic SE	72.09	1997/4	9A	365	250	1818	70	591	235/65 R17	✓	NA	230	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

RANGE ROVER VELAR

For: Design, presence. **Against:** Thirsty engine. **Verdict:** Stylish and capable "mid-size" luxury SUV
Alternatives: 1. Lexus RX **2.** Volvo XC60 **3.**Mercedes-Benz GLE-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
P250 R-Dynamic S	89.41	1997/4	8A	365	250	1875	63	735	235/60 R18	✓	NA	217	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
D200 R-Dynamic S	89.41	1999/4	8A	430	204	1928	63	735	235/60 R18	✓	NA	210	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

RANGE ROVER SPORT

For: Luxury, style, presence. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** If you want to stand out from the crowd...
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Cayenne **2.** Maserati Levante **3.** BMW X7

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
D350 Dynamic SE	164.29	2997/6	8A	700	350	2360	80	647	255/50 R20	✓	NA	209	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P400 Dynamic HSE	168.00	2996/6	8A	550	400	2310	90	647	255/50 R20	✓	NA	209	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

RANGE ROVER

For: Luxury, refinement, off road ability. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Off-road ability and luxury both without compromise.
Alternatives: 1. Lexus LX **2.** Bentley Bentayga **3.** Mercedes-Maybach GLS-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
D350 SE	238.87	2997/6	8A	700	350	2505	80	818	275/45 R21	✓	6.1	234	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
L D350 SV	401.70	2997/6	8A	700	350	2563	80	1050	275/40 R22	✓	6.3	234	8.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 22	★★★★★
P400 SE	238.87	2996/6	8A	550	400	2379	90	818	275/45 R21	✓	5.8	242	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
L P400 Autobiography 7-st	327.60	2996/6	8A	550	400	2444	90	312	275/40 R22	✓	5.9	242	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
L P440e SE	281.34	2996/6	8A	620	440	2735	90	818	275/45 R21	✓	6.0	225	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P510e SV	415.12	2996/6	8A	700	510	2735	90	818	275/40 R22	✓	5.6	242	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
P530 SE	254.32	4395/8	8A	750	530	2510	90	818	275/45 R21	✓	4.6	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
L P530 SV	417.15	4395/8	8A	750	530	2551	90	1050	275/40 R22	✓	4.6	261	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

LEXUS

ES

For: Styling, luxury, comfort, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The hybrid premium saloon bridging the present and the future.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 5 Series **2.** Mercedes-Benz E-Class **3.** Volvo S90 **4.** Audi A6

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
ES 300h Exquisite	61.60	2487/4	CVT	NA	218	1680	65	454	235/45 R18	✓	NA	180	16.12	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
ES 300h Luxury	67.90	2487/4	CVT	NA	218	1680	65	454	235/45 R18	✓	8.5	180	16.12	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 22	★★★★★

LS

For: Attention to detail, luxury, comfort, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Cutting-edge hybrid luxury saloon.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 7 Series **2.** Mercedes-Maybach S-Class **3.** Porsche Panamera

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LS 500h Luxury	195.52	3456/6	10A	NA	359	2300	82	430	245/45 R20	✓	6.58	250	9.12	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
LS 500h Nishijin	226.79	3456/6	10A	NA	359	2345	82	430	245/45 R20	✓	6.58	250	9.12	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 18	★★★★★

LC

For: Style, attention to detail, performance. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Hybrid luxury grand-tourer.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911 **2.** Maserati MC20

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LC 500h	229.20	3456/6	10A	NA	359	2020	82	NA	275/35 R21	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

NX

For: Comfort, equipment, style. **Against:** Noisy at full chat. **Verdict:** Extremely luxurious, and relaxing to drive.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X3 **2.** Volvo XC60 **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLC-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
NX 350h AWD Exquisite	66.30	2487/4	CVT	NA	243	1790	56	475	235/50 R20	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
NX 350h AWD F Sport	73.10	2487/4	CVT	NA	243	1870	56	475	235/50 R20	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

RX

For: Style, luxury, comfort, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Among the most modern looking designs.
Alternatives: 1. Volvo XC90 **2.** Land Rover Discovery **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLE-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
RX 350h Direct4 Luxury	80	2487/4	CVT	NA	250	2010	65	612	235/50 R21	✓	7.9	200	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
RX 500h Direct4 F Sport	80	2393/4	6A	NA	371	2155	65	612	235/50 R21	✓	6.2	210	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

LX

For: Luxury, size. **Against:** Price? **Verdict:** Premium SUV that isn't afraid to go off-road.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X7 **2.** Land Rover Range Rover

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LX 500d	282.40	3346/6	8A	700	309	2705	93	NA	285/60 R18	✓	8.0	210	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

MAHINDRA & MAHINDRA

KUV100 NXT

For: Space, interior, ride quality, driveability. **Against:** Ergonomics in six seater. **Verdict:** A genuinely practical everyday car.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki Ignis **2.** Hyundai Santro

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
G80 Petrol K2+ 6-seater	6.02	1198/3	5	115	83	NA	35	243	185/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	NA	NA
G80 Petrol K8 6-seater	7.68	1198/3	5	115	83	NA	35	243	185/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

BOLERO

For: Rugged, reliable, do-it-all MUV. **Against:** Lacks refinement. **Verdict:** Get one if you need to haul many people over bad roads.
Alternatives: 1. Renault Triber **2.** Kia Carens

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
mHawk D75 B4	9.45	1493/3	5	210	76	NA	60	NA	215/75 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
mHawk D75 B6(O)	10.43	1493/3	5	210	76	NA	60	NA	215/75 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA

BOLERO NEO

For: Robust and go-anywhere feel. **Against:** Basic interior quality. **Verdict:** A new take on the popular name.
Alternatives: 1. Renault Triber

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
mHawk100 N4	8.48	1493/3	5	260	100	NA	50	384	215/75 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
mHawk100 N10	10.00	1493/3	5	260	100	NA	50	384	215/75 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

XUV300

For: Price, handling, performance. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** The best handling Mahindra model on sale.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Venue **2.** Maruti Suzuki Vitara Brezza **3.** Renault Kiger

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Turbo Petrol W4	8.16	1197/3	6	200	110	NA	42	257	205/65 R16	-	12.38	176.7	12.0	✓	✓	-	-	Apr 19	★★★★½
Turbo Petrol W8(O) auto	12.69	1197/3	6A	200	110	NA	42	257	215/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	12.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 21	★★★★½
mStallion TGDI (P) W8(O)	12.75	1197/3	6	250	130	NA	42	257	215/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Turbo Diesel W4	9.31	1497/4	6	300	115	NA	42	257	205/65 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	Aug 19	★★★★½
Turbo Diesel W8(O) auto	13.52	1497/4	6A	300	115	NA	42	257	215/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

MARAZZO

For: Refinement, space, cabin ambience. **Against:** Feels underpowered. **Verdict:** The best Mahindra MPV yet.
Alternatives: 1. Toyota Innova **2.** Hyundai Alcazar **3.** Kia Carens

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
M2	12.80	1497/4	6	300	123	NA	45	190	215/65 R16	-	15.56	161	12.5	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
M6+	14.92	1497/4	6	300	123	NA	45	190	215/60 R17	-	15.56	161	12.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 19	★★★★☆

THAR

For: Capability, practicality, off-road ability. **Against:** Refinement. **Verdict:** A proper everyday car and off-roader in one.
Alternatives: 1. Force Gurkha

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LX RWD AT mStallion (P)	13.49	1997/4	6A	320	152	NA	57	NA	255/65 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
AX(O) 4WD mStallion (P)	13.59	1997/4	6	300	152	1735	57	NA	245/75 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
LX 4WD AT mStallion (P)	15.82	1997/4	6A	320	152	NA	57	NA	255/65 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AX(O) RWD mHawk	9.99	1497/4	6	300	119	NA	57	NA	245/75 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
LX 4WD AT mHawk	16.29	2184/4	6A	300	132	2014	57	NA	255/65 R18	✓	14.97	156	13.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 20	★★★★☆

SCORPIO CLASSIC

For: Tractable engine, value. **Against:** Dynamics at speed. **Verdict:** Among the best full-size SUVs on a budget around.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Alcazar **2.** Kia Carens

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
mHawk S5	11.99	2184/4	6	300	132	1875	60	NA	245/75 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	-	-	-	NA	NA
mHawk S11	15.49	2184/4	6	300	132	1875	60	NA	245/75 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	-	✓	-	NA	NA

SCORPIO-N

For: Price, stance, driveability. **Against:** Quality of plastics, front seat support. **Verdict:** A bold and modern take on the Scorpio.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Alcazar **2.** Kia Carens **3.** Tata Safari

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Z2 (P)	11.99	1997/4	6	370	203	NA	57	NA	245/65 R17	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Z8L AT (P)	20.95	1997/4	6A	380	203	NA	57	NA	255/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Z2 mHawk	12.49	2184/4	6	300	132	NA	57	NA	245/65 R17	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Z4 mHawk AT	15.95	2184/4	6A	400	175	NA	57	NA	245/65 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Z4 mHawk 4x4	16.44	2184/4	6	370	175	NA	57	NA	245/65 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Z8 mHawk AT	21.45	2184/4	6A	400	175	NA	57	NA	255/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	12.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 22	★★★★½
Z8L mHawk 4x4 AT	23.90	2184/4	6A	400	175	NA	57	NA	255/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

XUV700

For: Price, performance, ergonomics, flexibility. **Against:** Body roll. **Verdict:** A five- or seven-seater with punchy engine choices.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Alcazar **2.** MG Hector Plus **3.** Tata Safari

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
MX 5-st (P)	12.96	1997/4	6	380	200	NA	60	NA	235/65 R17	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
AX7 AT Lux (P)	22.04	1997/4	6A	380	200	NA	60	NA	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 21	★★★★☆
mHawk155 MX 5-st	13.47	2184/4	6	360	155	NA	60	NA	235/65 R17	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
mHawk AX3 7-st AT	17.29	2184/4	6A	450	185	NA	60	NA	235/65 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
mHawk AX7 AT AWD Lux	23.80	2184/4	6A	450	185	NA	60	NA	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

XUV400

For: Price, handling, performance. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** A longer and more premium electric version of the XUV300.
Alternatives: 1. MG ZS EV **2.** Tata Nexon EV

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
EC 3.3kW	15.99	E, 34.5kWh	A	310	150	NA	NA	378	205/65 R16	✓	8.3	150	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
EC 7.2kW	16.49	E, 34.5kWh	A	310	150	NA	NA	378	205/65 R16	✓	8.3	150	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
EL 7.2kW	18.99	E, 39.4kWh	A	310	150	NA	NA	378	205/65 R16	✓	8.3	150	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

MARUTI SUZUKI

ALTO

For: Value, space, service network. **Against:** Not much for the price. **Verdict:** One of the highest selling cars in the country.
Alternatives: 1. Renault Kwid

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
800 (O)	3.39	796/3	5	69	48	730	35	177	145/80 R12	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
800 LXi (O) CNG	5.03	796/3	5	60	41	850	35	NA	145/80 R12	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
K10	3.99	998/3	5	89	67	NA	27	214	145/80 R13	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
K10 VXi+ AGS	5.84	998/3	5A	89	67	NA	27	214	145/80 R13	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	✓	-	NA	NA

S-PRESSO

For: Compact size, ride quality, braking. **Against:** Love-it-or-hate-it styling, cabin room. **Verdict:** Capable compact all-rounder.
Alternatives: 1. Renault Kwid

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Std	4.25	998/3	5	90	68	726	27	NA	145/80 R13	-	15.00	154.3	16.38	✓	✓	-	-	Dec 19	★★★★☆
VXi+(O) AGS	5.99	998/3	5A	90	68	767	27	NA	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA

WAGONR

For: Space, practicality, equipment, fuel efficiency. **Against:** Fit-and-finish, steering feel. **Verdict:** A convenient city runabout.
Alternatives: 1. Tata Tiago

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LXi	5.40	998/3	5	90	68	815	32	NA	155/80 R13	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
VXi 1.0 AGS	6.36	998/3	5A	90	68	835	32	NA	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
VXi CNG	6.35	998/3	5	78	59	910	32	NA	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
ZXi 1.2	6.00	1197/4	5	113	90	835	32	NA	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
ZXi+ AGS	6.98	1197/4	5A	113	90	850	32	NA	165/70 R14	-	13.36	158.4	14.88	✓	✓	✓	-	Jun 19	★★★★☆

CELERIO

For: Convenience, price. **Against:** Auto shift quality, safety. **Verdict:** Affordable compact car with a usable petrol AMT.
Alternatives: 1. Tata Tiago

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LXi	4.99	998/3	5	89	67	800	32	313	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	-	-	-	-	NA	NA
ZXi+ AGS	6.94	998/3	5A	89	67	825	32	313	175/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
VXi S-CNG	6.58	998/3	5	82	57	905	32	NA	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA

SWIFT

For: Peppy performance, equipment, efficiency. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Still has the formula for success.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Grand i10 Nios

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LXi	5.92	1197/4	5	113	90	875	37	268	165/80 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
ZXi+ Auto Dual-tone	8.85	1197/4	5A	113	90	905	37	268	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

IGNIS

For: Style, space, customization choices. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Easy-going and practical all-rounder.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Grand i10 Nios **2.** Citroën C3 **3.** Tata Punch

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Petrol Sigma	5.25	1197/4	5	113	83	840	32	260	175/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
Petrol Alpha Auto	7.62	1197/4	5A	113	83	865	32	260	175/65 R15	-	14.90	150.1	13.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 17	★★★★☆

BALENO

For: Ease of driving, equipment, efficiency. **Against:** Steering feel, ergonomics. **Verdict:** Well-equipped hatchback.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai i20 **2.** Tata Altroz **3.** Honda Jazz

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Sigma	6.35	1197/4	5	113	90	920	37	318	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
Alpha Auto	9.49	1197/4	5A	113	90	960	37	318	195/55 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

DZIRE

For: Frugal, practical diesel, great value. **Against:** Styling. **Verdict:** Tough to find a better entry-level saloon at this price.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Aura **2.** Honda Amaze

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LXi	6.24	1197/4	5	113	90	880	37	378	165/80 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
ZXi+ Auto	9.18	1197/4	5A	113	90	915	37	378	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
VXi CNG	8.23	1197/4	5	99	78	990	37	NA	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

CIAZ

For: Feature packed. **Against:** Rivals are quicker. **Verdict:** A contemporary all-round package.
Alternatives: 1. Honda City **2.** Volkswagen Virtus **3.** Hyundai Verna

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Petrol Sigma	8.87	1462/4	5	138	105	NA	43	510	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Petrol Alpha Auto	11.86	1462/4	4A	138	105	NA	43	510	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

EECO

For: Price, space. **Against:** Safety, looks, hard suspension. **Verdict:** Practical and affordable option for big families and car-pooling.
Alternatives: 1. Renault Triber

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy/ (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
5-Seater	5.13	1197/4	5	104	81	935	32	NA	155 R13 LT	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
7-Seater	5.42	1197/4	5	104	81	955	32	NA	155 R13 LT	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
5-Seater AC CNG	6.44	1197/4	5	95	71.6	1050	32	NA	155 R13 LT	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA

ERTIGA

For: Value for money, space, ergonomics. **Against:** You either have the third row or boot space. **Verdict:** A good car in its segment.
Alternatives: 1. Renault Triber **2.** Kia Carens

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LXi	8.35	1462/4	5	137	103	1150	45	209	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
ZXi+ Auto	12.79	1462/4	6A	137	103	1205	45	209	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
VXi CNG	10.44	1462/4	5	122	88	1250	45/60	NA	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

XL6

For: Space, ergonomics. **Against:** Engine isn't punchy enough. **Verdict:** A well-equipped six-seater.
Alternatives: 1. Kia Carens **2.** Hyundai Alcazar

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Zeta	11.29	1462/4	5	137	103	1180	45	209	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Alpha+ Auto	14.39	1462/4	6A	137	103	1220	45	209	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

FRONX

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** A stylish crossover based on the Baleno.
Alternatives: 1. Kia Sonet **2.** Hyundai Venue **3.** Citroën C3

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Sigma 1.2	BO	1197/4	5	113	90	965	37	308	195/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
Delta+ 1.2 AGS	BO	1197/4	5A	113	90	975	37	308	195/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Delta+ Turbo	BO	998/3	5	148	100	1015	37	308	195/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Alpha Turbo Auto	BO	998/3	6A	148	100	1060	37	308	195/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

BREZZA

For: Space, practicality, ride quality. **Against:** Steering feel, inadequate power. **Verdict:** Stylish new compact crossover on a budget.
Alternatives: 1. Mahindra XUV300 **2.** Hyundai Venue **3.** Renault Kiger

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
LXi	7.99	1462/4	5	137	103	NA	48	328	205/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
ZXi+ Auto	13.80	1462/4	6A	137	103	NA	48	328	215/60 R16	-	NA	NA	12.8	✓	✓	✓	✓	Nov 22	★★★★⯪

JIMNY

For: Capability, heritage, style, practicality. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Legendary compact SUV now in India in five-door form.
Alternatives: Maybe the Mahindra Thar and Force Gurkha in terms of ability

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Zeta AllGrip Pro	BO	1462/4	5	134	105	1195	48	208	195/80 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Alpha AT Allgrip Pro	BO	1462/4	4A	134	105	1210	48	208	195/80 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

GRAND VITARA

For: Ride quality, handling, equipment. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Spacious and practical all-rounder.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Creta **2.** Kia Seltos **3.** Volkswagen Taigun **4.** Škoda Kushaq

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
SmartHybrid Sigma	10.45	1462/4	5	137	103	1150	45	375	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
SmartHybrid Delta AT	13.40	1462/4	6A	137	103	1185	45	375	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
SmartHybrid Alpha AT	16.89	1462/4	6A	137	103	1210	45	375	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
SmartHybrid Alpha AWD	16.89	1462/4	5	137	103	1260	45	375	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
S-CNG Delta	14.84	1462/4	5	121.5	88	NA	45	NA	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Hybrid Zeta+	17.99	1490/4	eCVT	NA	116	1290	45	265	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Hybrid Alpha+ DT	19.65	1490/4	eCVT	NA	116	1295	45	265	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

MASERATI

GHIBLI

For: Style, driver appeal. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The only Italian option in the German-dominated sport luxury segment.
Alternatives: 1. (Size-wise) BMW 5 Series, Audi A6, Volvo S90 **2.** (Price-wise) BMW 7 Series, Porsche Panamera

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GT Hybrid	120.00	1995/4	8A	450	330	1795	NA	500	235/50 R18	✓	5.7	255	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Modena S	155.00	2979/6	8A	580	430	1810	70	500	235/50 R18	✓	4.9	286	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Trofeo	199.00	3799/8	8A	730	580	1969	70	500	285/30 R20	✓	4.3	326	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

QUATTROPORTE

For: Style, presence. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** An Italian four-door sport-luxury car with distinct road presence.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Panamera **2.** BMW 8 Series Gran Coupé **3.** Mercedes-AMG GT 4-Door Coupé

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Gran Lusso	171.00	2979/6	8A	500	350	1760	80	530	285/30 R20	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Gran Sport	177.00	2979/6	8A	500	350	1760	80	530	285/30 R20	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Trofeo	232.00	3799/8	8A	730	580	NA	80	530	285/30 R20	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

GRANTURISMO

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** All-new Italian GT now with V6 and electric choices.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911/Taycan **2.** Audi RS 5 (V6)/e-tron GT (Folgore)

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Modena	BO	2992/6	8A	600	490	1795	70	310	295/30 R21	✓	3.9	302	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Trofeo	BO	2992/6	8A	650	550	1795	70	310	295/30 R21	✓	3.5	320	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Folgore	BO	E, 92.5kWh	2x 1A	1350	761	NA	NA	270	295/30 R21	✓	2.7	320	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

MC20

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** Thoroughbred Italian sports car with a thrilling new V6.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche 911 **2.** Lexus LC **3.** Aston Martin Vantage

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
MC20	365.00	2992/6	8A	730	630	1500	60	150	305/35 R20	✓	NA	325	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
MC20 Cielo	BO	2992/6	8A	730	630	1540	60	100	305/35 R20	✓	3.0	320	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

LEVANTE

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** The Maserati of SUVs.
Alternatives: 1. Audi Q8 **2.** BMW X6 **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLE Coupé **4.** Porsche Cayenne Coupé

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GT Hybrid	145.00	1995/4	8A	450	330	2095	80	580	275/50 R19	✓	6.0	240	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Modena S	179.00	2979/6	8A	580	430	2110	80	580	295/45 R19	✓	5.2	264	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Levante Trofeo	238.00	3799/8	8A	730	580	2205	80	580	295/35 R21	✓	4.1	302	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

McLAREN

GT

For: Style, presence, driver appeal. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The grand tourer from the iconic British brand.
Alternatives: 1. Ferrari Roma **2.** Porsche 911 Turbo S **3.** Lamborghini Huracán **4.** Aston Martin Vantage

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GT	373.00	3994/8	7A	630	620	1530	72	570	295/30 R21	✓	3.2	326	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

ARTURA

For: Style, presence, performance. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** A potent yet more efficient .
Alternatives: 1. Ferrari 296 GTB **2.** Porsche 911 Turbo S

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Artura	BO	2993/6	7A	720	680	1498	NA	NA	295/35 R20	✓	3.0	330	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

SUPER SERIES

For: Style, presence, performance. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** A British rival for the very best big names.
Alternatives: 1. Ferrari F8 **2.** Aston Martin DBS

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
720S	465.00	3994/8	7A	770	720	1419	NA	NA	305/30 R20	✓	2.9	341	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
720S Spider	504.00	3994/8	7A	770	720	1468	NA	NA	305/30 R20	✓	2.9	341	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
765LT	BO	3994/8	7A	800	765	1339	NA	NA	305/30 R20	✓	2.8	330	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
765LT Spider	BO	3994/8	7A	800	765	1388	NA	NA	305/30 R20	✓	2.8	330	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

MERCEDES-BENZ

A-CLASS

For: Badge, ride quality. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The first step to the three-pointed star.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 2 Series **2.** Škoda Octavia

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
A 200 Sedan	42.00	1332/4	7A	250	163	1390	43	NA	225/50 R17	✓	8.1	230	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
A 200 d Sedan	44.00	1950/4	8A	320	150	1510	43	NA	225/50 R17	✓	8.2	227	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AMG A 35 4MATIC Sedan	58.00	1991/4	7A	400	306	1590	51	420	235/40 R18	✓	4.8	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AMG A 45 S 4MATIC+	83.80	1991/4	8A	500	421	1585	51	370	245/35 R19	✓	3.9	270	7.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 22	★★★★★

C-CLASS

For: Style, status, performance. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Fun to drive luxury car with good ride quality, too.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 3 Series **2.** Toyota Camry **3.** Škoda Superb **4.** Audi A4

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
C 200 Avantgarde	57.20	1496/4	9A	300	204	1650	50	455	225/50 R17	✓	NA	246	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
C 220 d Avantgarde	58.20	1993/4	9A	440	200	1730	40	455	225/50 R17	✓	NA	245	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
C 300 d AMG Line	63.00	1993/4	9A	550	265	1775	50	455	245/40 R18	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

E-CLASS

For: Comfort, technology, space. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Longer wheelbase alternative to the competition.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 5 Series **2.** Volvo S90 **3.** Audi A6

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
E 200 L Expression	72.50	1991/4	9A	320	197	1740	80	540	225/55 R17	✓	7.6	240	6.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 21	★★★★★
E 220 d L Exclusive	77.00	1950/4	9A	400	194	1810	80	540	225/55 R17	✓	8.5	240	13.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jul 17	★★★★★
E 350 d L AMG Line	89.00	2925/6	9A	600	286	1920	80	540	245/50 R18	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AMG E 53 4MATIC+	106.00	2999/6	9A	520	435	1875	66	540	265/35 R19	✓	4.5	250	8.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 22	★★★★★
AMG E 53 4MATIC+ Cabr	130.00	2999/6	9A	520	435	1980	66	310	265/35 R19	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AMG E 63 S 4MATIC+	177.00	3982/8	9A	850	612	1935	66	540	295/30 R20	✓	3.4	300	5.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sep 21	★★★★★

S-CLASS

For: Luxury, technology, comfort, efficiency. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Elegant looks with top-of-the-line luxury features.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 7 Series **2.** Audi A8 **3.** Lexus LS **4.** Bentley Flying Spur (Maybach)

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
S 350 d L	164.50	2925/6	9A	600	286	2040	65	540	245/45 R18	✓	5.4	250	11.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 22	★★★★★
S 450 4MATIC L	173.50	2999/6	9A	500	367	2015	65	540	245/45 R20	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Maybach S 580 4MATIC	257.00	3982/8	9A	700	503	2200	65	505	255/45 R19	✓	4.8	250	6.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Apr 22	★★★★★
Maybach S 680 4MATIC	332.00	5980/12	9A	900	612	2255	65	495	255/40 R20	✓	4.5	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

AMG GT 4-DOOR COUPÉ

For: Performance, presence, handling, room for four. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Exciting sports car for four.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Panamera **2.** Maserati Quattroporte

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GT 63 S 4MATIC+	264.96	3982/8	9A	900	639	2045	80	461	295/35 ZR20	✓	3.51	315	5.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sep 20	★★★★★

EQB

For: Performance, equipment, flexibility. **Against:** Price, limited infrastructure. **Verdict:** A premium electric seven-seater.
Alternatives: None yet

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
EQB 300 4MATIC	74.50	E, 66.5kWh	1A	390	228	2175	-	495	235/55 R18	✓	8.0	160	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

EQC

For: Performance, equipment, refinement. **Against:** Ride height, limited infrastructure. **Verdict:** Everyday electric luxury car.
Alternatives: 1. Jaguar I-Pace **2.** Audi e-tron

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
EQC 400 4MATIC	106.83	E, 80kWh	1A	760	408	2495	-	500	275/45 R19	✓	NA	180	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

EQS

For: Equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The S-Class of electric cars.
Alternatives: 1. Porsche Taycan **2.** Audi e-tron GT

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
EQS 580 4MATIC	155.00	E, 108kWh	2x1A	855	523	2585	-	610	285/35 R21	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AMG EQS 53 4MATIC+	245.00	E, 108kWh	2x1A	950	658	2655	-	610	285/30 R22	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sep 22	★★★★★

GLA-CLASS

For: All-round ability. **Against:** Equipment, off-road ability. **Verdict:** Compact crossover with the three-pointed star.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X1 **2.** Volvo XC40 **3.** Audi Q3 **4.** MINI Countryman

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GLA 200 Progressive	46.40	1332/4	7A	250	163	1500	43	435	235/50 R18	✓	8.7	210	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GLA 220 d Progressive	47.90	1950/4	8A	400	190	1640	51	425	235/50 R18	✓	7.4	222	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GLA 220 d 4MATIC	50.40	1950/4	8A	400	190	1690	51	425	235/50 R18	✓	7.3	219	12.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jul 21	★★★★½
AMG GLA 35 4MATIC	61.00	1991/4	8A	400	306	1680	51	435	235/50 R19	✓	5.2	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

GLB-CLASS

For: Flexibility, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Flexible and compact seven-seater with a premium badge.
Alternatives: 1. Land Rover Discovery Sport **2.** Skoda Kodiaq

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GLB 200 Progressive	63.80	1332/4	7A	250	163	1570	52	570	235/55 R18	✓	9.1	207	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GLB 220 d Progressive	66.80	1950/4	8A	400	190	1710	52	570	215/65 R17	✓	7.7	220	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GLB 220 d 4M AMG Line	69.80	1950/4	8A	400	190	1755	60	570	235/55 R18	✓	7.6	217	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

GLC-CLASS

For: Size, equipment, brand value. **Against:** Limited off-road ability. **Verdict:** Versatile mid-size luxury SUV.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X3/X4 **2.** Volvo XC60 **3.** Lexus NX

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GLC 200 Progressive	62.00	1991/4	9A	320	197	1755	66	580	235/60 R18	✓	7.8	217	7.63	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 21	★★★★½
GLC 220 d 4MATIC Prog	68.00	1950/4	9A	400	194	1835	66	580	235/60 R18	✓	9.19	210	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 20	★★★★★
GLC 300 4MATIC Coupé	72.50	1991/6	9A	370	258	1825	66	500	235/55 R19	✓	NA	240	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GLC 300 d 4MATIC Coupé	73.50	1950/6	9A	500	245	1875	NA	500	235/55 R19	✓	NA	233	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AMG 43 4MATIC Coupé	87.00	2996/6	9A	520	390	1855	66	500	285/40 R20	✓	6.05	250	6.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	Nov 20	★★★★★

GLE-CLASS

For: Comfort, ride, brand value. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Great soft-roader with a brand image.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X5/X6 (AMG) **2.** Porsche Cayenne/Coupé (AMG) **3.** Audi Q8/RS Q8 (AMG) **4.** Volvo XC90

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GLE 300 d 4MATIC	88.00	1950/4	9A	500	245	2125	70	690	255/50 R19	✓	NA	225	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GLE 400 d 4MATIC	105.00	2925/6	9A	700	330	2265	70	690	255/50 R19	✓	NA	245	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GLE 450 4MATIC	104.00	2999/6	9A	500	367	2215	70	690	255/50 R19	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
AMG 53 4MATIC+ Coupé	163.50	2999/6	9A	520	435	2250	85	655	315/45 R21	✓	5.3	250	6.12	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 20	★★★★½
AMG 63 S 4MATIC+ Coupé	223.50	3982/8	9A	850	612	2370	85	655	325/35 R22	✓	3.8	280	7.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 22	★★★★★

GLS-CLASS

For: Comfort, space, equipment, ride, brand value. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Full-size luxury SUV gets even better.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X7 **2.** Lexus LX **3.** Volvo XC90 **4.** Land Rover Range Rover **5.** Bentley Bentayga (Maybach)

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
GLS 400 d 4MATIC	119.00	2925/6	9A	700	330	2505	70	690	275/40 R20	✓	6.3	238	9.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 21	★★★★★
GLS 450 4MATIC	121.00	2999/6	9A	500	367	2460	70	690	275/40 R20	✓	NA	246	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Maybach GLS 600 4MATIC	292.00	3982/8	9A	730	558	2785	70	520	325/40 R22	✓	4.9	250	4.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 21	★★★★★

G-CLASS

For: Presence, off-road capability. **Against:** Price, manners at speed. **Verdict:** It may have a cult following, but it isn't for everyone.
Alternatives: 1. Land Rover Defender 110 **2.** Jeep Wrangler Rubicon

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
G 350 d	172.00	2925/6	9A	600	286	2453	75	487	265/60 R18	✓	9.03	199	9.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 20	★★★★½
AMG G 63	270.00	3982/8	9A	850	585	2560	96	487	275/50 R20	✓	NA	220	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

MINI

COOPER

For: Performance, looks. **Against:** Ride quality, no spare wheel, space, price. **Verdict:** Iconic small car with a hefty price tag.
Alternatives: None

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Cooper S 3-door	38.00	1998/4	7A	280	192	1235	44	211	195/55 R16	✓	NA	235	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Cooper S Convertible	44.00	1998/4	7A	280	192	1350	44	215	205/45 R17	✓	NA	228	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jul 21	★★★★★
John Cooper Works	45.50	1998/4	8A	320	231	1310	44	211	205/45 R17	✓	NA	235	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Cooper SE	47.20	E, 32.6kWh	1A	270	184	1365	NA	211	205/45 R17	✓	7.3	150	6.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jun 22	★★★★★

COUNTRYMAN

For: Style, versatility. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Stylish, all-round premium compact car that you can use every day.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X1 **2.** Audi Q2

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Cooper S Countryman	39.50	1998/4	8A	280	192	1460	51	450	225/55 R17	✓	8.40	225	11.50	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
JCW Inspired	43.40	1998/4	8A	280	192	1460	51	450	225/50 R18	✓	8.40	225	11.50	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 18	★★★★★

MORRIS GARAGES (MG MOTOR)

ASTOR

For: Equipment, technology, safety. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** New age compact SUV with a focus on safety technology.
Alternatives: 1. Volkswagen Taigun **2.** Škoda Kushaq **3.** Hyundai Creta

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
VTi-Tech Style EX	10.52	1451/4	6	144	110	NA	48	NA	215/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
VTi-Tech Savvy CVT	16.80	1451/4	CVT	144	110	NA	48	NA	215/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
220Turbo Smart	16.78	1349/3	6A	220	140	NA	45	NA	215/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
220Turbo Savvy	18.43	1349/3	6A	220	140	NA	45	NA	215/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

HECTOR

For: Equipment, space. **Against:** Refinement. **Verdict:** Stylish and well-equipped alternative MUV.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Creta **2.** Jeep Compass **3.** Maruti Suzuki Grand Vitara

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
(P) Style 5-st	14.73	1451/4	6	250	143	1554	60	NA	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
(P) Savvy Pro CVT 5-st	21.73	1451/4	CVT	250	143	NA	60	NA	215/55 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Plus (P) Sharp Pro 6/7-st	20.15	1451/4	6	250	143	NA	60	NA	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Plus (P) Savvy Pro CVT 6/7	22.43	1451/4	CVT	250	143	NA	60	NA	215/55 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
(D) Smart 5-st	19.06	1956/4	6	350	170	1633	60	NA	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
(D) Sharp Pro 5-st	21.51	1956/4	6	350	170	1700	60	NA	215/55 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Plus (D) Smart 7-st	19.76	1956/4	6	350	170	NA	60	NA	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Plus (D) Sharp Pro 6/7-st	22.21	1956/4	6	350	170	NA	60	NA	215/55 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

GLOSTER

For: Interior, equipment. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Capable on and off the road.
Alternatives: 1. Toyota Fortuner **2.** Isuzu mu-X

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Super 7-st	32.60	1996/4	8A	374	161	NA	75	NA	255/55 R19	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Savvy 6-st 4WD	41.78	1996/4	8A	479	216	NA	75	NA	255/55 R19	✓	11.98	171.5	7.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Oct 20	★★★★½

ZS

For: Style, equipment, fit-and-finish, safety. **Against:** Charging network. **Verdict:** Usable everyday electric car.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Kona **2.** BYD Atto 3 **3.** Mahindra XUV400

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
ZS EV Excite	22.98	E 50.3kWh	1A	280	177	1570	NA	NA	215/50 R17	-	8.5	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
ZS EV Exclusive	26.50	E 50.3kWh	1A	280	177	1610	NA	NA	215/50 R17	-	8.5	170	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Apr 22	★★★★½

NISSAN

MAGNITE

For: Value, space, comfort, design. **Against:** Not as sturdy as rivals. **Verdict:** Affordable all-rounder for all road conditions.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Venue **2.** Maruti Suzuki Vitara Brezza **3.** Toyota Urban Cruiser

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.0 (P) XE	4.99	999/3	5	96	72	939	40	336	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
1.0 (P) XV Premium	7.55	999/3	5	96	72	939	40	336	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Turbo (P) XL	6.99	999/3	5	160	100	1014	40	336	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Turbo (P) XV Premium CVT	9.35	999/3	CVT	152	100	1039	40	336	195/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	12.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 21	★★★★½

KICKS

For: Styling, punchy engine (Turbo). **Against:** Interior finish. **Verdict:** A stylish alternative in the compact crossover space.
Alternatives: 1. Škoda Kushaq **2.** Volkswagen Taigun **3.** Hyundai Creta

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.5 (P) XL	9.50	1498/4	5	142	106	NA	50	400	215/65 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
1.5 (P) XV	10.00	1498/4	5	142	106	NA	50	400	215/65 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Turbo (P) XV	12.30	1332/4	6	254	156	NA	50	400	215/65 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Turbo (P) XV Premium CVT	14.90	1332/4	CVT	254	156	NA	50	400	215/65 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

PORSCHE

718

For: Size, performance, quality. **Against:** Options can get pricey. **Verdict:** True blue compact Porsche sports car feel.
Alternatives: 1. Jaguar F-Type **2.** BMW Z4 (Boxster)

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
718 Cayman	136.69	1988/4	7A	380	300	1365	54	425	265/45 R18	✓	5.1	275	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
718 Boxster	141.10	1988/4	7A	380	300	1365	54	275	265/40 R19	✓	5.1	275	8.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jul 17	★★★★★
718 Cayman GTS 4.0	159.42	3996/6	7A	430	400	1405	64	420	265/35 R20	✓	4.5	293	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
718 Boxster GTS 4.0	163.83	3995/6	7A	430	400	1405	64	420	265/35 R20	✓	4.5	293	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
718 Spyder	177.88	3995/6	6	420	420	1420	64	420	295/30 R20	✓	4.4	301	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
718 Cayman GT4	181.67	3996/6	6	420	420	1420	64	420	295/30 R20	✓	4.4	304	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
718 Cayman GT4 RS	254.16	3996/6	7A	450	500	1415	54	261	295/30 R20	✓	3.4	315	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

911

For: Over 50 years later, still a revered sports cars. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Iconic sports car keeps getting better.
Alternatives: 1. McLaren GT/720S (Turbo S) **2.** Ferrari Roma **3.** Lamborghini Huracán (GT3/Turbo) **4.** Nissan GT-R

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Carrera	172.51	2981/6	8A	450	385	1505	64	135	295/30 R20	✓	4.2	293	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Carrera T	180.86	2981/6	7	450	385	1470	64	135	305/30 R21	✓	4.5	291	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Carrera Cabriolet	184.05	2981/6	8A	550	450	1575	64	135	295/30 R20	✓	4.4	291	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Carrera S	187.77	2981/6	8A	550	450	1510	64	135	305/30 R21	✓	3.7	308	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Carrera S Cabriolet	204.73	2981/6	8A	550	450	1585	64	135	305/30 R21	✓	3.9	306	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GT3	254.65	3996/6	7A	470	510	1435	64	132	305/30 R20	✓	3.4	318	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GT3 with Touring Package	254.65	3996/6	6	470	510	1418	64	132	305/30 R20	✓	3.9	320	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GT3 RS	324.82	3996/6	7A	465	525	1450	64	-	335/30 R21	✓	3.2	296	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Turbo S	313.79	3800/6	8A	800	650	1640	67	128	315/30 R21	✓	2.7	330	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

PANAMERA

For: Luxury, handling,performance. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Revitalised 2+2 grand touring package.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes-AMG GT 4-Door Coupé **2.** BMW 8 Series Gran Coupé **3.** Maserati Quattroporte

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Panamera	158.04	2894/6	8A	450	330	1865	75	500	275/40 R18	✓	5.6	270	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
GTS	202.68	3996/8	8A	620	480	1995	90	500	285/40 R19	✓	3.9	300	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Turbo S	234.86	3996/8	8A	820	630	1995	90	500	315/35 R20	✓	3.1	315	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Turbo S E-hybrid	275.90	3996/8	8A	870	700	2350	80	403	325/30 R21	✓	3.2	315	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

MACAN

For: A sports car with high ground clearance. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** A compact SUV off the road, a sports car on it.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X3 **2.** Maserati Levante **3.** Jaguar F-Pace

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Macan	83.21	1984/4	7A	400	265	1845	65	488	255/50 R19	✓	6.2	232	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Macan S	136.07	2994/6	7A	520	380	1930	65	488	295/40 R20	✓	4.6	259	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Macan GTS	146.91	2994/6	7A	550	440	1960	65	488	295/35 R21	✓	4.3	272	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

CAYENNE

For: Performance, refinement, driver appeal. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** If you want a big sports car with a high ground clearance...
Alternatives: 1. Maserati Levante **2.** BMW X5/X6 (Coupé) **3.** Land Rover Range Rover Sport/SVR

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Cayenne	126.84	2995/6	8A	450	340	1985	75	770	275/50 R19	✓	6.2	245	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Cayenne Coupé	134.57	2995/6	8A	450	340	2030	75	625	275/50 R19	✓	6.0	243	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Cayenne GTS	169.39	3996/8	8A	620	460	2145	90	656	295/40 R20	✓	4.8	270	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Cayenne E-Hybrid	170.43	2995/6	8A	700	462	2295	75	645	275/50 R19	✓	5.0	253	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Cayenne Turbo	193.06	3996/8	8A	770	550	2175	90	745	315/35 R21	✓	4.1	286	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Cayenne Turbo Coupé	198.24	3996/8	8A	770	550	2200	90	598	315/35 R21	✓	3.9	286	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Cayenne Turbo GT	257.08	3996/8	8A	850	640	2220	90	482	315/30 R22	✓	3.3	300	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

TAYCAN

For: Style, handling, ride quality, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Porsche's sport-luxury electric four-door.
Alternatives: 1. Audi e-tron GT

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Taycan	153.02	E, 79.2kWh	2A	345	408	2050	NA	407	275/45 R19	✓	5.4	230	3.6	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 22	★★★★★
Taycan GTS	195.40	E, 93.4kWh	1+2A	850	598	2295	NA	407	305/30 R21	✓	3.7	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Taycan Turbo S	233.84	E, 93.4kWh	1+2A	1050	761	2295	NA	407	305/30 R21	✓	2.8	260	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
4S Cross Turismo	173.68	E, 93.4kWh	1+2A	650	571	2245	NA	446	275/45 R19	✓	4.1	240	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Turbo Cross Turismo	214.18	E, 93.4kWh	1+2A	850	680	2320	NA	405	305/30 R21	✓	3.3	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

RENAULT

KWID

For: Ride, handling, space, practicality. **Against:** Safety equipment. **Verdict:** Very capable compact car with excellent ride quality.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki Alto **2.** Maruti Suzuki S-presso

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.0 RxE	4.70	999/3	5	91	68	789	28	300	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
1.0 Climber RxT Easy-R	5.52	999/3	5A	91	68	793	28	300	165/70 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	✓	-	NA	NA

TRIBER

For: Space, ergonomics, equipment, flexibility. **Against:** Slightly underwhelming acceleration. **Verdict:** A uniquely flexible offering.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki Ertiga

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
RxE	6.34	999/3	5	96	72	947	40	84	165/80 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
RxZ	8.23	999/3	5	96	72	951	40	84	185/65 R15	-	18.36	146	13.0	✓	✓	✓	-	Feb 20	★★★★½
RxL Easy-R	8.13	999/3	5A	96	72	NA	40	84	185/65 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
RxZ Easy-R	8.75	999/3	5A	96	72	NA	40	84	185/65 R15	-	21.17	132.8	12.0	✓	✓	✓	-	Sep 20	★★★★½

KIGER

For: Practicaliy, equipment, space, fit-and-finish. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** An evolved compact crossover for the urban jungle.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Venue **2.** Nissan Magnite **3.** Maruti Suzuki Brezza

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Energy RxE	6.50	999/3	5	96	72	1012	40	405	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
Energy RxZ AMT	9.35	999/3	5A	96	72	NA	40	405	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Turbo RxT(O)	9.45	999/3	5	160	100	NA	40	405	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
Turbo RxZ Xtronic	11.00	999/3	CVT	152	100	NA	40	405	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

ROLLS-ROYCE

GHOST

For: Luxury, brand value. **Against:** Price? **Verdict:** The most accessible step to the iconic British luxury brand.
Alternatives: 1. Bentley Flying Spur **3.** Mercedes-Maybach S-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Ghost	800.00	6749/12	8A	850	571	NA	NA	NA	255/45 R20	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Ghost Extended	915.00	6749/12	8A	850	571	2530	NA	NA	255/45 R20	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Black Badge Ghost	1225.00	6749/12	8A	900	600	NA	NA	NA	255/40 R21	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

PHANTOM

For: Unmatched luxury, massive presence. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The best car in the world. A luxury yacht for the road.
Alternatives: None; consider a luxury yacht for the seas, maybe.

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Phantom	1035.00	6749/12	8A	900	571	2560	NA	548	275/35 R22	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Phantom Extended	1210.00	6749/12	8A	900	571	2610	NA	548	275/35 R22	✓	NA	250	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

CULLINAN

For: Luxury, presence, all-road capability. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** The definitive high-roller.
Alternatives: 1. Bentley Bentayga

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Cullinan	800.00	6749/12	8A	850	571	2660	100	600	275/40 R22	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Black Badge Cullinan	1225.00	6749/12	8A	900	600	2660	100	600	275/40 R22	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

ŠKODA

SLAVIA

For: Ride quality, equipment, handling. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** A new-age premium compact sedan.
Alternatives: 1. Honda City **2.** Hyundai Verna **3.** Maruti Suzuki Ciaz

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.0 TSI Active	10.69	999/3	6	178	115	NA	50	521	185/65 R15	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.0 TSI Style AT	15.39	999/3	6A	178	115	1210	50	521	205/55 R16	✓	NA	NA	12.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 22	★★★★½
1.5 TSI Style	16.19	1498/4	6	250	150	NA	50	521	205/55 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.5 TSI Style DSG	17.79	1498/4	7A	250	150	1278	50	521	205/55 R16	✓	NA	NA	13.6	✓	✓	✓	✓	May 22	★★★★½

OCTAVIA

For: Performance, quality, equipment. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** Well-equipped, dynamically superior D-segmenter.
Alternatives: 1. Mercedes-Benz A-Class Sedan

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
2.0 TSI DSG Style	26.29	1984/4	7A	320	190	1459	50	600	205/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.0 TSI DSG L&K	29.29	1984/4	7A	320	190	1459	50	600	205/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	10.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jun 21	★★★★★

SUPERB

For: Build, comfort, luxury, presence, performance, equipment. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** Well-equipped luxury sedan.
Alternatives: 1. Toyota Camry Hybrid

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
2.0 TSI DSG Sportline	32.85	1984/4	7A	320	190	1460	66	625	215/55 R17	✓	8.13	206	9.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.0 TSI DSG L&K	35.85	1984/4	7A	320	190	1460	66	625	215/55 R17	✓	8.13	206	9.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 20	★★★★★

KUSHAQ

For: Build, comfort, practicality. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** Practical and convenient all-road vehicle.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Creta **2.** Renault Duster

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.0 TSI Active	10.99	999/3	6	178	115	NA	50	385	205/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.0 TSI Style AT	16.09	999/3	6A	178	115	NA	50	385	205/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	13.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sep 21	★★★★⯪
1.5 TSI Style	16.49	1498/4	6	250	150	NA	50	385	205/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.5 TSI Style DSG	17.79	1498/4	7A	250	150	NA	50	385	205/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

KODIAQ

For: Build, comfort, luxury, equipment. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** All the seven-seater you'll ever need.
Alternatives: 1. Toyota Fortuner

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
2.0 TSI DSG 4x4 Style	35.99	1984/4	7A	320	190	1774	58	270	235/55 R18	✓	7.3	NA	9.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.0 TSI DSG 4x4 L&K	38.49	1984/4	7A	320	190	1790	58	270	235/55 R18	✓	7.3	NA	9.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Feb 22	★★★★★

TATA MOTORS

TIAGO

For: Style, performance, handling, efficiency. **Against:** Auto shift quality. **Verdict:** Good, practical overall package.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki WagonR **2.** Maruti Suzuki Celerio

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Revotron (P) XE	5.40	1199/3	5	113	86	935	35	242	175/65 R14	-	16.44	154.9	15.3	-	-	-	-	Jun 16	★★★★⯪
Revotron (P) XZA+	7.38	1199/3	5A	113	86	1006	35	242	175/65 R14	-	17.81	138.9	12.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 18	★★★★⯪
Revotron (P) NRG AMT	7.38	1199/3	5A	113	86	1015	35	242	175/60 R15	-	16.44	154.9	15.3	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
iCNG (P+CNG) XE	6.30	1199/3	5	95	73	NA	35	NA	175/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
iCNG (P+CNG) XZ+	7.73	1199/3	5A	95	73	NA	35	NA	175/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
EV XE 3.3kW	8.49	E 19.2kWh	1A	110	61	NA	NA	240	175/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	✓	NA	NA
EV XZ+TLux 7.2kW	11.79	E 24kWh	1A	114	75	NA	NA	240	175/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

ALTROZ

For: Style, equipment, safety, handling. **Against:** Interior quality. **Verdict:** Tata's premium hatch challenger offers a lot.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Elite i20 **2.** Maruti Suzuki Baleno **3.** Toyota Glanza

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Revotron (P) XE	6.30	1199/3	5	113	86	1030	37	345	165/80 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
Revotron (P) XZ+ DCA Dark	10.00	1199/3	6A	113	86	1056	37	345	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	10.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Apr 22	★★★★☆
i-Turbo (P) XT	8.25	1199/3	5	140	110	1058	37	345	165/80 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
i-Turbo (P) XZ+ Dark	9.55	1199/3	5	140	110	1058	37	345	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Revotorq (D) XE+	7.85	1497/4	5	200	90	1150	37	345	165/80 R14	-	13.26	161.4	17.63	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
Revotorq (D) XZ+ Dark	10.25	1497/4	5	200	90	1150	37	345	185/60 R16	-	13.26	161.4	17.63	✓	✓	✓	✓	Aug 20	★★★★⯪

TIGOR

For: Design, safety. **Against:** Quality, fit-and-finish. **Verdict:** Stylish sub-four-metre alternative.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Aura **2.** Honda Amaze **3.** Maruti Suzuki Dzire

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Revotron (P) 1.2 XE	6.00	1199/3	5	113	86	1035	35	419	155/80 R13	-	17.72	148.1	12.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sep 17	★★★★⯪
Revotron (P) 1.2 XZA+	8.20	1199/3	5A	113	86	1074	35	419	175/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
iCNG (P+CNG) XZ	7.89	1199/3	5A	95	73	NA	35	NA	175/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
iCNG (P+CNG) XZ+	8.50	1199/3	5A	95	73	NA	35	NA	175/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
EV XE	12.49	E 26kWh	1A	170	75	NA	NA	255	175/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
EV XZ+ Lux	13.75	E 26kWh	1A	170	75	NA	NA	255	175/65 R14	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

PUNCH

For: Style, equipment, safety. **Against:** Quality and consistency. **Verdict:** Modern micro SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki Ignis **2.** Renault Triber

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Pure (P)	5.93	1199/3	5	113	86	1313	37	366	185/70 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	-	✓	-	-	NA	NA
Creative (P) iRA AMT DT	9.37	1199/3	5A	113	86	NA	37	366	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	14.5	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 22	★★★★☆

NEXON

For: Exterior styling, equipment. **Against:** Ergonomics, fit-and-finish, practicality. **Verdict:** A stylish compact offering from Tata.
Alternatives: 1. Maruti Suzuki Brezza **2.** Kia Sonet **3.** Renault Kiger **4.** MG ZS EV (Nexon EV)

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Revotron (P) XE	7.60	1198/3	6	170	120	NA	44	350	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
Revotron (P) XZA+ Dark	12.65	1198/3	6A	170	120	NA	44	350	215/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Revotorq (D) XM	9.90	1497/4	6	260	110	NA	44	350	195/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
Revotorq (D) XZA+ Dark	13.95	1497/4	6A	260	110	NA	44	350	215/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
EV Prime XM 3.3kW	14.49	E 30.2kWh	1A	245	129	1400	NA	350	215/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	F	✓	-	-	NA	NA
EV Max XZ+ Lux 7.2kW	18.99	E 40.5kWh	1A	250	143	NA	NA	350	215/60 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

HARRIER

For: Style, presence. **Against:** Fit-and-finish, ergonomics (manual). **Verdict:** Tata's stylish mid-size SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Jeep Compass **2.** Hyundai Creta **3.** MG Hector

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
XE	14.70	1956/4	6	350	170	NA	50	425	235/70 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
XZA+ Dark	22.05	1956/4	6A	350	170	NA	50	425	235/65 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

SAFARI

For: Space, flexibility. **Against:** Steering feel. **Verdict:** A venerable name reborn for the new decade.
Alternatives: 1. Mahindra XUV500 **2.** MG Hector Plus

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
XE	15.35	1956/4	6	350	170	NA	50	NA	235/65 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	-	-	NA	NA
XZA+ Gold 6-st	23.56	1956/4	6A	350	170	NA	50	NA	235/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

TOYOTA

GLANZA

For: Equipment. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Toyota's entry in the premium hatch space.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai i20 **2.** Maruti Suzuki Baleno

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
E MT	6.59	1197/4	5	113	89	920	37	318	185/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V MT	9.51	1197/4	5	113	89	955	37	318	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
S CNG	8.43	1197/4	5	113	89	NA	37	NA	185/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
S AT	7.98	1197/4	5A	113	89	935	37	318	185/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
V AT	9.99	1197/4	5A	113	89	960	37	318	195/55 R16	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

CAMRY

For: Space, comfort, interior, equipment. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Amongst the most comfortable chauffeur driven cars.
Alternatives: 1. Škoda Superb

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Hybrid	45.25	2487/4	CVT	NA	218	1665	50	454	235/45 R18	✓	9.49	187	15.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jun 19	★★★★★

URBAN CRUISER HYRYDER

For: NA. **Against:** NA. **Verdict:** A new age mid-size SUV with loads of tech inside and out.
Alternatives: 1. Volkswagen Taigun **2.** Hyundai Creta **3.** Škoda Kushaq **4.** Kia Seltos

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
neoDrive E	10.48	1462/4	5	135	102	1155	45	375	215/60 R17	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
neoDrive S AT	13.48	1462/4	6A	135	102	1190	45	375	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
neoDrive V AWD	17.19	1462/4	5	135	102	1275	45	375	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
CNG S	13.23	1462/4	5	121.5	88	NA	45	NA	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Hybrid S	15.11	1490/4	CVT	NA	116	1270	45	265	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Hybrid V	18.99	1490/4	CVT	NA	116	1310	45	265	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

INNOVA HYCROSS

For: Comfort, interior, equipment, ride, handling. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** A further improved creation that raises the game.
Alternatives: 1. Kia Carnival

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
2.0P G (Speed-limited)	18.30	1987/4	CVT	205	174	NA	52	NA	205/65 R16	✓	NA	80	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.0P GX 8-st	19.20	1987/4	CVT	205	174	NA	52	NA	205/65 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Hybrid VX 7-st	24.01	1987/4	eCVT	NA	186	NA	52	NA	215/60 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Hybrid ZX(O)	28.97	1987/4	eCVT	NA	186	NA	52	991	225/50 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

FORTUNER

For: Space, refinement, reliability. **Against:** Big, cumbersome in traffic. **Verdict:** Good combination of on- and off-road vehicle.
Alternatives: 1. Isuzu mu-X **2.** MG Gloster

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
2.7P	32.59	2694/4	5	245	166	1985	80	NA	265/65 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.7P A/T	34.18	2694/4	6A	245	166	1985	80	NA	265/65 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.8D	35.09	2755/4	6	420	204	2085	80	NA	265/65 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.8D 4x4 A/T	41.22	2755/4	6A	500	204	2210	80	NA	265/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	9.13	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Legender 4x2 A/T	42.82	2755/4	6A	500	204	2085	80	NA	265/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
Legender 4x4 A/T	46.54	2755/4	6A	500	204	2210	80	NA	265/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	9.13	✓	✓	✓	✓	Mar 22	★★★★½
GR-S (2.8D 4x4 AT)	50.34	2755/4	6A	500	204	2210	80	NA	265/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	9.13	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

HILUX

For: Practicality, build quality, equipment. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** A globally renowned lifestyle pick-up truck.
Alternatives: 1. Isuzu D-Max V-Cross

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
2.8D 4x4	33.99	2755/4	6	420	204	NA	80	NA	265/65 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.8D 4x4 High	35.80	2755/4	6	420	204	NA	80	NA	265/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
2.8D 4x4 High A/T	36.80	2755/4	6A	500	204	NA	80	NA	265/60 R18	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

VELLFIRE

For: Comfort, interior, equipment, ride quality. **Against:** Price? **Verdict:** A luxury vehicle like few others.
Alternatives: Just its cousin, the Lexus RX

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
Executive Lounge E-Four	94.45	2494/4	CVT	NA	199	2220	58	NA	225/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

LAND CRUISER 300

For: Luxury, size, heritage. **Against:** Price. **Verdict:** Premium SUV that isn't afraid of the rough stuff.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X7 **2.** Land Rover Range Rover

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
VX D	210.00	3346/6	10A	700	309	2630	80	174	265/65 R18	✓	8.0	210	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

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VIRTUS

For: Space, ride quality, handling, build quality. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** A complete sedan.
Alternatives: 1. Škoda Slavia **2.** Hyundai Verna **3.** Honda City

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.0 TSi Comfortline	11.22	999/3	6	178	115	NA	50	521	185/60 R15	-	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	-	NA	NA
1.0 TSi Topline AT	15.72	999/3	6A	178	115	NA	50	521	205/55 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.5 TSi GT Plus DSG	17.92	1498/4	7A	250	150	1275	50	521	205/55 R16	✓	NA	NA	12.9	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jun 22	★★★★⯪

TAIGUN

For: Build, comfort, handling, practicality. **Against:** No diesel option. **Verdict:** Practical and robust all-road vehicle.
Alternatives: 1. Škoda Kushaq **2.** Hyundai Creta **3.** MG Astor **4.** Nissan Kicks

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.0 TSI Comfortline	10.50	999/3	6	178	115	1195	50	385	205/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.0 TSI Topline AT	15.91	999/3	6A	178	115	1275	50	385	205/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.5 TSI GT	15.00	1498/4	6	250	150	1260	50	385	205/60 R16	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA
1.5 TSI GT Plus DSG	17.50	1498/4	7A	250	150	1310	50	385	205/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	13.63	✓	✓	✓	✓	Nov 21	★★★★⯪

T-ROC

For: Style, comfort, performance. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Fresh new SUV an exciting proposition.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Creta **2.** Toyota Urban Cruiser Hyryder **3.** Tata Harrier

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
1.5 TSI DSG	21.35	1498/4	7A	250	150	NA	50	445	215/55 R17	✓	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 21	★★★★⯪

TIGUAN

For: Performance, comfort, safety. **Against:** Price, fuel efficiency. **Verdict:** Globally noted premium crossover SUV packs a punch.
Alternatives: 1. Hyundai Tucson **2.** Toyota Fortuner

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
TSI DSG 4MOTION	31.99	1984/4	7A	320	190	1703	60	615	235/55 R18	✓	7.7	213	9.75	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 22	★★★★★

VOLVO

S90

For: Safety, practicality, comfort, style. **Against:** Rear knee room. **Verdict:** A step up from the S80.
Alternatives: 1. BMW 5 Series **2.** Audi A6 **3.** Mercedes-Benz E-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
B5 Ultimate	66.90	1969/4	8A	350	250	1790	60	461	245/40 R19	✓	6.9	180	10.0	✓	✓	✓	✓	Jan 22	★★★★★

XC40

For: Safety, interior, practicality, efficiency. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Stylish and modern compact SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Audi Q2 **2.** BMW X1 **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLA-Class

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
B4 Ultimate	45.90	1969/4	8A	300	197	1610	54	460	235/55 R18	✓	NA	180	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

XC60

For: Safety, style, equipment. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Practical, safe, value-for-money family luxury car.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X3 **2.** Audi Q5 **3.** Land Rover Range Rover Velar

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
B5 AWD Inscription	66.50	1969/4	8A	350	250	1900	71	505	235/55 R19	✓	6.9	180	13.25	✓	✓	✓	✓	Dec 21	★★★★★

XC90

For: Comfort, safety, technology, handling, style. **Against:** Not much. **Verdict:** Big all-round Volvo for up to seven occupants.
Alternatives: 1. BMW X7 **2.** Land Rover Discovery **3.** Mercedes-Benz GLS-Class **4.** Lexus RX

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
B6 AWD Inscription	96.50	1969/4	8A	420	300	2070	71	709	275/45 R20	✓	NA	180	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

XC40 RECHARGE

For: Safety, practicality, refinement. **Against:** Limited infrastructure. **Verdict:** Volvo's first all-electric compact luxury SUV.
Alternatives: 1. Audi e-tron

Model Name	Price (in Rs lakh)	Displacement (cc/cylinders)	Gears	Max Torque (Nm)	Max Power (hp)	Kerb Weight (kg)	Fuel Tank (litres)	Boot Space (litres)	Tyre Size	Traction Control	0-100 km/h (sec)	Top Speed (km/h)	Overall Economy (km/l or kWh)	Power Windows	Airbags	Music System	Alloy Wheels	Tested	Overall Rating
P8 AWD	56.90	E, 78KWh	1/1A	660	408	2188	-	419	255/45 R19	✓	4.9	180	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA

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